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# PSALMS OF DAVID,

# IN METRE:

# WITH ANNOTATIONS.

EXPLAINING THE SENSE, AND ANIMATING THE DEVOTION.

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# PSALMS OF DAVID.

### PSALM I.

Perhaps this Psalm was added by Ezra, or whoever else was the collector of the others into one book. We have represented to us in it, (1.) The character of the Godly; how holy they are, abstaining from every temptation to, or appearance of evil; and with pleasure meditating on, and endeavouring to fulfil, the whole law of God, ver. 1, 2, and how happy, planted in the nearest fellowship with Jesus, the River of life, they prosper in their lawful attempts: They never fall from their grace or profession; and they shall stand with approbation at the judgment-seat of God, ver. 3. (2.) The sinfulness and misery of the wicked: How different from, and contrary to the godly, in their inclination, companions, exercises, and ends! How light and unsubstantial, as chaff, and ready to be hurled by the storms of infinite wrath, into the depths of hell, as cast and condemned in the righteous judgment of God! ver. 4, 5, (3.) The great reason of the happiness of saints, and of the misery of sinners. The Lord loveth the righteous, and observes and approves their inclinations and behaviour; but, as an enemy, he brings destructive vengeance upon the wicked, ver. 6 .- T While I sing these important lines, let my soul lift up her eyes to that great pattern of perfection, JESUS, the man of God's right hand, who was holy, harmless, undefiled, and separate from sinners; and who fulfilled all righteousness, magnified the law, and made it honourable for men, -for ME. United to his person, clothed with his righteousness, and all inflamed and animated with his redeeming love, shed abroad in my heart, let me examine myself as in his sight; let me walk in him as my way, and follow him as my Pattern and Guide: Let me, with solemn awe, look to, and prepare for his last, his eternal judgment !

1 That man hath perfect blessedness
who walketh not astray
In counsel of ungodly men,
nor stands in sinner's way:
Nor sitteth in the scorner's chair;

2 But placeth his delight
Upon God's law, and meditates
on his law day and night.

3 He shall be like a tree that grows near planted by a river, Which in his season yields his fruit, and his leaf fadeth never: And all he doth shall prosper well.

The wicked are not so;
But like they are unto the chaff
which wind drives to and fro.

 In judgment therefore shall not stand such as ungodly are;
 Nor in th' assembly of the just shall wicked men appear.

6 For why? the way of godly men unto the Lord is known: Whereas the way of wicked men shall quite be overthrown.

# PSALM II.

Perhaps this Psalm relates partly to David's instalment on his throne, and the victories over his enemies which attended it. Compare Psalm xviii. 2. Sam. iii. v. viii. x. xviii. xx. But the whole of it respects Jesus our Redeemer. Behold, (1.) The violent and harmonious, but unsuccessful opposition, which the Jews and Gentiles of all ranks make to the person and redemption work of the great God my Saviour. Behold what ruin and woe they draw upon themselves by their attempts! ver. 1-5, 9. (2.) Behold how, notwithstanding all their raging malice and furious opposition, JEHOVAH instals our Redeemer King in his Church, and infallibly fixeth him on his throne; avows him his only begotten Son, and gives unto him the Gentiles for his people! ver. 6-8. (3.) Behold JEHOVAH's demand of serious consideration and fear of, joy in, and trust, obedience and leve to his exalted Son, ver. 9-12 .- While I sing, let me remark the horrid nature of sin; let me, with broken heart, bewail my neglect of, and opposition to Jesus Christ. Let me, with wonder, bless his name, that I have not already perished in mine iniquity. Let me, with earnestness, accept that once debased Redeemer, as my Saviour, my Sovereign, my Proprietor, my God, and my ALL. me learn to know him, rejoice in him, and with holy awe, commit my whole salvation, and the salvation of my country, nay, of all the ends of the earth to him.

1 Why rage the heathen? and vain things why do the people mind?

2 Kings of the earth do set themselves, and princes are combin'd,

To plot against the Lord, and his Anointed, saying thus,

3 Let us asunder break their bands, and cast their cords from us.

4 He that in heaven sits shall laugh; the Lord shall scorn them all:

5 Then shall he speak to them in wrath, in rage he vex them shall.

6 Yet notwithstanding I have him to be my King appointed,

And over Sion, my holy hill, I have him King anointed.

- 7 The sure decree I will declare:
  the Lord hath said to me,
  Thou art mine only Son, this day
  I have begotten thee.
- 8 Ask of me, and for heritage the heathen I'll make thine; And, for possession, I to thee will give earth's utmost line.
- 9 Thou shalt, as with a weighty rod of iron, break them all;
  And as a potter's sherd thou shalt them dash in pieces small.
- 10 Now therefore, kings, be wise; be taught, ye judges of the earth:
- 11 Serve God in fear, and see that ye join trembling with your mirth.
- 12 Kiss ye the Son, lest in his ire
  ye perish from the way,
  If once his wrath begin to burn:
  bless'd all that on him stay.

### PSALM III.

Having beheld the royal dignity of my Redeemer, let me here behold the joy, the peace, the safety of the redeemed amidst their distresses innumerable. Here David, driwen from his holy capital and high throne, by his rebellious son Absalom, (1.) Complains to his God of the number and malice of his enemies, ver. 1, 2. (2.) He encourageth himself in his God, as the source and subject-matter of his safety, joy, and honour, ver 3. (3.) He

recollects how, on former occasions, his troubles had driven him to his prayers; how he had always found God ready to hear and grant his requests; how safe and easy he had lived under his protection; and how effectually he had broken the power, and restrained the malice of his enemies, ver. 4, 5, 7. (4.) Triumphantly trusting in God, as the salvation and blesser of his people, he silenceth all his fears, and pours forth his prayers for new protection and deliverance, ver. 6, 8 .- Think, my soul, of Jesus, who, when bulls of Bashan compassed him about, trusted in God, that he would deliver him. In all my distress, let me pour out my heart before him, believing in him as God, even MY God. Let me always rejoice in the great God my Saviour. Let me trust in him at all times, that as he hath delivered, and doth deliver, so he will deliver me.

## A Psalm of David, when he fled from Absalom his son.

1 O Lord, how are my foes increas'd? against me many rise.

2 Many say of my soul, For him in God no succour lies.

3 Yet thou my shield and glory art, the uplifter of mine head.

4 I cry'd, and from his holy hill the Lord me answer made.

5 I laid me down and slept, I wak'd, for God sustained me.

6 I will not fear though thousands ten set round against me be.

7 Arise, O Lord; save me my God, for thou my foes hast stroke All on the cheek-bone, and the teeth

of wicked men hast broke.

8 Salvation doth appertain
unto the Lord alone:
Thy blessing, Lord, for evermore
thy people is upon.

### PSALM IV.

This Psalm was perhaps composed on the same occasion as the former, when David fled from Absalom his son. Here, (1.) David encouraged by former experience, casts his burden on the Lord, and supplicates a merciful deliverance, ver. 1. (2.) Addressing himself to men, particularly to his persecutors, he reproves their contempt of God and religion, their delight in, and practice of vanity. fraud, and falsehood.-He represents the happiness of saints in having God their protector, and ready to hear their requests. He recommends a holy filial awe of God, a careful abstinence from sin; a composed trial of, and converse with their own heart, together with a devoting of themselves, and their conduct and substance to the Lord, ver. 2-5. (3.) To encourage them to the study of practical religion, he remarks what superlative satisfaction and rest himself had found in familiar fellowship with God, and in a believing dependence on him, ver. 6-8 .- " While I sing, let me have faith in God, as my own God in Christ. Let me abhor that levity of mind, that deceitfulness, that earthly-mindedness proper to the ungodly, and every remain thereof. Let my soul pant for JEHOVAH, and prefer him to every thing else. Let me, by faith, lay myself down in his arms, his bosom, as all my salvation and comfort.

# To the chief Musician on Neginoth, a Psalm of

Give ear unto me when I call,
 God of my righteousness:
 Have mercy, hear my pray'r, thou hast enlarg'd me in distress.

- 2 O ye the sons of men, how long will ye love vanities? How long my glory turn to shame, and will ye follow lies?
- 3 But know, that for himself the Lord the godly man doth chuse: The Lord, when I on him do call, to hear will not refuse.
- 4 Fear, and sin not, talk with your heart on bed, and silent be.
- 5 Off'rings present of right'ousness, and in the Lord trust ye.
- 6 O who will show us any good?
  is that which many say;
  But of thy countenance the light,
  Lord, lift on us alway.
- 7 Upon my heart, bestow'd by thee, more gladness I have found Than they, ev'n then when corn and wine

Than they, ev'n then when corn and wine did most with them abound.

8 I will both lay me down in peace, and quiet sleep will take: Because thou only me to dwell in safety, Lord, dost make.

## PSALM V.

Here, (1.) The man according to God's heart, in the assured faith of God's hearing his prayers and hating his sins, fixeth a daily, an early, an earnest, a steady, a grace-founded correspondence with God, in his ordinances of meditation, prayer, praise, &c. ver. 1—7. (2.) Behold him

humbly requesting God's special direction in duties which his enemies had rendered difficult to perform;—supplicating and predicting the ruin of his implacable foes;—and, in the assured faith of obtaining it, imploring comfort and prosperity to his fellow-saints, ver. 8—12.——¶ While I sing, let my heart and flesh cry out, and my soul pant and wait for the Lord. In the firm faith of infinite mercy to forgive all my crimes, and wash out all my sinful stains, let me blush at, and detest my own abominations. Let me cultivate the closest familiarity with the Lord my God. Let my prayers correspond with his promises, and with the particular conditions of myself or others.

To the chief Musician upon Nehiloth, a Psalm of David.

1 Give ear unto my words, O Lord, my meditation weigh.

2 Hear my loud cry, my King, my God, for I to thee will pray.

3 Lord, thou shalt early hear my voice; I early will direct

My prayer to thee, and looking up, an answer will expect.

4 For thou art not a God that doth in wickedness delight; Neither shall evil dwell with thee,

5 Nor fools stand in thy sight.
All that ill-doers are thou hat'st:

6 Cutt'st off that liars be:
The bloody and deceitful man
abhorred is by thee.

7 Ent I into thy house will come in thine abundant grace:

And I will worship in thy fear toward thy holy place.

8 Because of those mine enemies,
Lord, in thy right'ousness
Do thou me lead; do thou thy way
make straight before my face.

9 For in their mouth there is no truth, their inward part is ill; Their throat's an open sepulchre, their tongue doth flatter still.

10 O God, destroy them, let them be by their own counsel quell'd:

Them for their many sins cast out, for they 'gainst thee rebell'd.

11 But let all joy that trust in thee, and still make shouting noise; For them thou sav'st: let all that love thy name in thee rejoice.

12 For, Lord, unto the right'ous man thou wilt thy blessing yield; With favour thou wilt compass him about as with a shield.

### PSALM VI.

Observe here, (1.) David, a great saint, under grievous and manifold troubles, sickness of body, conscience-felt charges of guilt, vexation of mind, attended with desertion from God, and contemptuous insults from his enemies, ver. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7. (2.) His supplications, with strong cries and tears to God for mitigation of trouble, support under it, and deliverance from it, ver. 1—4, 6. (3.) His triumphant separation of himself from the wicked, in the

full assurance of faith, that God had hea:d, and would graciously grant his requests, and would either convert or destroy his opposers, ver. 8—10 ——¶ In all my afflictions let me believe that Jesus was afflicted for me. Let me call my sins to remembrance, spread my case before him, fill my mouth with arguments, implore his abundant, free, and sovereign mercy, as my sole and all-comprehensive relief. Nor let me ever expect a comfortable answer to my prayers, while I cultivate an intimacy with profane and wicked men.

1 Lord, in thy wrath rebuke me not, Nor in thy hot rage chasten me.

2 Lord, pity me, for I am weak: Heal me for my bones vexed be.

3 My soul is also vexed sore;
But, Lord, how long stay wilt thou make?

4 Return, O Lord, my soul set free; O save me for thy mercy's sake.

5 Because those that deceased are Of thee shall no remembrance have; And who is he that will to thee Give praises lying in the grave?

6 I with my groaning weary am; I also all the night my bed Have caused for to swim, and I With tears my couch have watered.

7 Mine eye, consum'd with grief, grows old, Because of all mine enemies.

8 Hence from me, wicked workers all, For God hath heard my weeping cries.

9 God hath my supplication heard; My prayer received graciously. 10 Sham'd and sore vex'd be all my foes. Sham'd and back turned suddenly.

# Another of the same.

In thy great indignation, O Lord, rebuke me not; Nor on me lay thy chast'ning hand in thy displeasure hot.

2 Lord, I am weak, therefore on me have mercy and me spare: Heal me, O Lord, because thou know'st

my bones much vexed are.

3 My soul is vexed sore: but, Lord, how long stay wilt thou make?

4 Return, Lord, free my soul, and save

me, for thy mercy's sake.

5 Because of thee in death there shall no more remembrance be: Of those that in the grave do lie, who shall give thanks to thee?

6 I with my groaning weary am, and all the night my bed I caused for to swim: with tears

my couch I watered.

7 By reason of my vexing grief mine eye consumed is; It waxeth old because of all that be mine enemies.

8 But now depart from me, all ye that work iniquity:

For why, the Lord hath heard my voice when I did mourn and cry.

9 Unto my supplication the Lord did hearing give: When I to him my prayer make, the Lord will it receive.

10 Let all be sham'd and troubled sore, that en'mies are to me; Let them turn back and suddenly ashamed let them be.

## PSALM VII.

Here, accused of traitorous conspiracy against his Sovereign by king Saul, or by Cush, one of his courtiers, David, (1.) Appeals to God concerning his innocency of that crime, ver. 3-5. (2.) He supplicates, that God, as Governor of the world and King of Israel, would protect him from danger, plead his cause, and give judgment for him, ver. 1, 2, 6-9. (3.) In the exercise of faith, he depends on God to protect and deliver him, and to avenge the injuries he had sustained, upon his implacable adversaries, ver. 10-16. (4.) He resolves to ascribe the glory of all his deliverances to God alone, ver. 17 .- While I sing, let me contemplate the spotless innocency, the finished righteousness of my Redeemer, together with the injurious usage he received from his brethren of mankind; and the fearful ruin which hath befallen, or awaits his incorrigible foes. Let me carefully approve myself in his sight, who searcheth my heart, and trieth my reins, and who must quickly be my final Judge. Let me implore the just vengeance of heaven against my spiritual enemies. And not unto me, not unto me, but to his name be the glory and praise of all my protection and deliverance.

Shiggaion of David, which he sang unto the Lord, concerning the words of Cush the Benjamite.

1 O LORD my God, in thee do I my confidence repose: Save and deliver me from all my persecuting foes;

2 Lest that the enemy my soul should, like a lion, tear, In pieces rending it, while there

is no deliverer.

3 O Lord my God, if it be so that I committed this; If it be so that in my hands iniquity there is:

4 If I rewarded ill to him that was at peace with me;

(Yea, even the man that without cause my foe was I did free;)

5 Then let the foe pursue and take my soul, and my life thrust Down to the earth, and let him lay mine honour in the dust.

6 Rise in thy wrath, Lord, raise thyself, for my foes raging be;

And to the judgment which thou hast commanded, wake for me.

7 So shall th' assembly of thy folk about encompass thee:

Thou, therefore, for their sakes, return

unto thy place on high.

8 The Lord he shall the people judge: my judge, JEHOVAH, be, After my righteousness, and mine integrity in me.

9 O let the wicked's malice end: but stablish steadfastly The righteous: for the righteous God

the hearts, and reins doth try. 10 In God, who saves th' upright in heart,

is my defence and stay.

11 God just men judgeth, God is wroth with ill men ev'ry day.

12 If he do not return again, then he his sword will whet; His bow he hath already bent, and hath it ready set:

13 He also hath for him prepar'd the instruments of death; Against the persecutors he his shafts ordained hath.

14 Behold, he with iniquity doth travail, as in birth; A mischief he conceived hath, and falsehood shall bring forth.

15 He made a pit, and digg'd it deep, another there to take : But he is fall'n into the ditch

which he himself did make.

16 Upon his own head, his mischief shall be returned home;
His vi'lent dealing also down on his own pate shall come.

17 According to his righteousness
the Lord I'll magnify:
And will sing praise unto the name
of God that is most high.

## PSALM VIII.

This Psalm contains a pleasant, but solemn meditation upon the glory, the greatness, and the grace of God. Let me here observe, (1.) How illustrious and wide spread are his glory and renown, ver. 1, 3, 9. (2.) By how weak and insignificant instrument, he manifests and spreads his superlative fame, ver. 2. (3.) Behold his marvellous condescension and bounty to mankind, but chiefly to the Man Christ, in his uniting his human nature to his divine person, and in giving him all power in heaven and earth for the benefit of his chosen people, ver. 4-8.-- May this Jesus, this name of God in him, be the enthroned inhabitant, the everlasting wonder, and the superlative darling of my heart. Let me, with the babes of Jerusalem, Matt. xxi. pour forth my Hosannas to Him that cometh in the name of the Lord to save me,-Hosannas in the highest. Let all the works of nature lead and excite me to admire their Creator's kindness towards men,towards sinful and insignificant ME.

To the chief Musician, upon Gittith, a Psalm of David.

How excellent in all the earth, Lord, our Lord, is thy name! Who hast thy glory far advanc'd above the starry frame. 2 From infants' and from sucklings' mouth thou didest strength ordain,

For thy foes cause, that so thou might'st th' avenging foe restrain.

3 When I look up unto the heav'ns, which thine own fingers fram'd, Unto the moon, and to the stars, which were by thee ordain'd:

4 Then say I, What is man, that he remember'd is by thee?
Or what the son of man, that thou so kind to him should'st be?

5 For thou a little lower hast him than the angels made; With glory and with dignity thou crowned hast his head.

6 Of thy hands' works thou mad'st him lord, all under's feet did'st lay;

7 All sheep and oxen, yea, and beasts that in the field do stray;

8 Fowls of the air, fish of the sea, all that pass through the same.

9 How excellent in all the earth, Lord, our Lord, is thy name!

#### PSALM IX.

This Psalm was perhaps composed on the occasion of his son Absalom's death, 2 Sam. xviii. or on the occasion of the death of Goliath, the champion and duellist of Gath, 1 Sam. xvii. We have in it, (1) David's hearty thanksgivings to God for his pleading of his cause against his and his country's enemies, and for giving him a complete

victory over them, ver. 1—6, and his excitement of others to join with him therein, ver. 11, 12. (2) His triumph in God as the righteous Judge of the world, protector of his people, and the destroyer of his implacable enemies, ver. 7—10, 15—18. (3.) His requests for further grounds of praising God as his own deliverer, and the confounder of his enemies, ver. 13, 14, 19, 20.——¶ While I sing these subjects, let me chiefly consider the blessings of redemption, the victories of my Redeemer over sin, death, and hell; and believe that I, through him, shall be more than a conqueror. Let the ruin of transgressors effectually admonish me to stand in awe of God, and at the farthest distance from sin.

# To the chief Musician upon Muth-Labben, a Psalm of David.

1 Lord, thee I'll praise with all my heart, thy wonders all proclaim.

2 In thee, most High, I'll greatly joy, and sing unto thy name.

3 When back my fees were turn'd, they fell, and perish'd at thy sight:

4 For thou maintain'dst my right and cause; on throne sat'st judging right.

5 The heathen thou rebuked hast, the wicked overthrown;

Thou hast put out their names, that they may never more be known.

6 O en'my! now destructions have an end perpetual:

Thou cities raz'd; perish'd with them is their memorial.

7 God shall endure for aye; he doth for judgment set his throne;

8 In righteousness to judge the world, justice to give each one.

9 God also will a refuge be for those that are oppress'd;
A refuge will he be in times of trouble to distress'd.

10 And they that know thy name, in thee their confidence will place:

For thou hast not forsaken them

that truly seek thy face.

11 O sing ye praises to the Lord
that dwells in Sion hill;

And all the nations among his deeds record ye still.

12 When he enquireth after blood, he then rememb'reth them:

The humble folk he not forgets that call upon his name.

13 Lord, pity me; behold the grief
which I from foes sustain;
Ev'n thou, who from the gates of death
dost raise me up again;

14 That I, in Sion's daughters' gates, may all thy praise advance; And that I may rejoice always in thy deliverance.

15 The heathen are sunk in the pit which they themselves prepar'd; And in the net which they have hid their own feet fast are snar'd. 16 The Lord is by the judgment known which he himself hath wrought:

The sinners' hands do make the snares wherewith themselves are caught.

17 They who are wicked into hell
each one shall turned be;
And all the nations that forget
to seek the Lord most high.

18 For they that needy are shall not forgotten be alway:

The expectation of the poor shall not be lost for aye.

19 Arise, Lord, let not man prevail; judge heathen in thy sight:

20 That they may know themselves but men, the nations, Lord, affright.

#### PSALM X.

In this Psalm of lamentation and woe, we have, (1.) David's mournful complaints of God's withdrawment of his gracious and comfortable presence, ver. 1. (2.) His mournful and shocking representation of the wicked men, who persecuted him during God's absence: They proudly gloried in themselves; they counteracted the laws and contemned the judgments of God; they contradicted and defied their opposers; they were malicious, treacherous, crafty, hypocritical, and atheistical persecutors, ver. 2—11. (3) His earnest supplications for relief to the people of God, attended with the firm faith of obtaining it, ver. 12—18. ——¶ While I sing these, ponder, () my soul, what a privilege it is to enjoy familiar fellowship with God! What abominations lie hid in an evil heart of unbelief! What a mercy that the Lord hath withheld me from that

outrage in wickedness of which my corrupt nature is capable! Let all my views of sins and of judgments cause me to flee to Jesus for relief. If he prepare my heart to pray, he will surely grant my requests.

1 WHEREFORE is it that thou, O Lord,
dost stand from us afar?
And wherefore hidest thou thyself
when times so troublous are?

2 The wicked in his loftiness
doth persecute the poor:
In these devices they have fram'd
let them be taken sure.

3 The wicked of his heart's desire doth talk with boasting great; He blesseth him that's covetous, whom yet the Lord doth hate.

4 The wicked, through his pride of face, on God he doth not call; And in the counsels of his heart the Lord is not at all.

5 His ways they always grievous are; thy judgments from his sight Removed are: at all his foes he puffeth with despight.

6 Within his heart he thus hath said,
I shall not moved be;
And no adversity at all
shall ever come to me.

7 His mouth with cursing, fraud, deceit, is fill'd abundantly;

And underneath his tongue there is mischief and vanity.

8 He closely sits in villages; he slays the innocent: Against the poor that pass him by

his cruel eyes are bent.

9 He, lion-like, lurks in his den;he waits the poor to take;And when he draws him in his net,his prey he doth him make.

10 Himself he humbleth very low, he croucheth down withal, That so a multitude of poor may by his strong ones fall.

11 He thus hath said within his heart, The Lord hath quite forgot; He hides his countenance, and he for ever sees it not.

12 O Lord, do thou arise; O God, lift up thine hand on high:
Put not the meek afflicted ones out of thy memory.

13 Why is it that the wicked man thus doth the Lord despise?

Because that God will it require he in his heart denies.

14 Thou hast it seen; for their mischief and spite thou wilt repay:

The poor commits himself to thee;
thou art the orphan's stay.

15 The arm break of the wicked man, and of the evil one;Do thou seek out his wickedness, until thou findest none.

16 The Lord is king through ages all, ev'n to eternity:

The heathen people from his land

are perish'd utterly.

17 O Lord, of those that humble are thou the desire didst hear; Thou wilt prepare their heart, and thou to hear wilt bend thine ear;

18 To judge the fatherless, and those that are oppressed sore; That man, that is but sprung of earth, may them oppress no more.

## PSALM XI.

Behold here, (1.) David, tempted by his timorous friends to escape to some mountain, and hide himself from the fury of Saul, or of Absalom, as if that were his only safe course, now when his enemies were exerting themselves to the uttermost, and all things were in disorder and confusion, ver. 1-3. (2.) David baffling the temptation by a resolute profession of his trust in God, as the observer of all men; -as the holy and righteous punisher of the wicked, and friend of the godly, ver. 1, 4-7.- TLet no temptation decoy me from my duty. Let no danger deter me from it. While JEHOVAH, my reconciled God and Father, manageth and judgeth the world, my safest course is to commit myself to him in well-doing. Let the just vengeance of God upon sinners deter my heart from sinning, and his kindness to his people encourage me in holiness in all manner of conversation.

# To the chief Musician, a Psalm of David.

1 In the Lord do put my trust; how is it then that ye Say to my soul, Flee, as a bird, unto your mountain high?

2 For, lo, the wicked bend their bow, their shafts on string they fit,
That those who upright are in heart they privily may hit.

3 If the foundations be destroy'd, what hath the righteous done?

4 God in his holy temple is, in heaven is his throne:

His eyes do see, his eye-lids try

5 men's sons. The just he proves: But his soul hates the wicked man, and him that vi'lence loves.

6 Snares, fire and brimstone, furious storms, on sinners he shall rain:
This, as the portion of their cup, doth unto them pertain.

7 Because the Lord most righteous doth in righteousness delight; And with a pleasant countenance, beholdeth the upright.

#### PSALM XII.

In this Psalm, which was probably penned during the reign of Saul, observe, (1.) The times rendered extreme-

ly bad by the almost universal death of the godly, the general decay of piety and honesty, the common prevalence of dissimulation and flattery; and by the proud and daring contempt of God, and oppression of the poor; and by the protection and encouragement of wickedness, by those that bare rule, in church or state, ver. 1—4, 8. (2.) Enough in God to balance the evils of the worst of times. He is ready to help. He will in due time reckon with the wicked, and restrain their insolence. He will seasonably and effectually relieve his oppressed people. His words are pure, firm, and faithful; and he will always secure a remnant for himself, ver. 1, 5—7.——¶ In evil times do thou, my soul, live on thy God. Walk humbly with thy God. Hope continually in thy God, and rejoice in his new covenant promises to men.—to ME.

# To the chief Musician upon Sheminith, a Psalm of David.

1 Help, Lord, because the godly man doth daily fade away; And from among the sons of men

the faithful do decay.

2 Unto his neighbour ev'ry one

doth utter vanity:

They with a double heart do speak, and lips of flattery.

3 God shall cut off all flatt'ring lips, tongues that speak proudly thus,

4 We'll with our tongue prevail, our lips are ours: who's lord o'er us?

5 For poor opprest, and for the sighs of needy, rise will I, Saith God, and him in safety set from such as him defy. 6 The words of God are words most pure, they be like silver try'd

In earthen furnace seven times that hath been purifi'd.

7 Lord, thou shalt them preserve and keep for ever from this race.

8 On each side walk the wicked, when vile men are high in place.

#### PSALM XIII.

Here we have the Psalmist sowing in tears, but reaping in joy. Observe, (1.) His extreme distress, occasioned by God's apparent unkindness, and by inward anguish of soul, and insolence of enemies, ver. 1, 2. (2.) His fervent supplications that God would consider his case, strengthen his faith, direct his goings, and comfort his heart, ver. 3, 4. (3.) Sudden deliverance, flowing from a fixed trust in God, and inducing to a triumphant joy in Him, ver. 5, 6.——¶ Think, my soul, how divine withdrawments, sensibly perceived, sting a renewed heart! How changeable the saints' spiritual frames are while they continue in this world. Weeping endures for a night, but joy cometh in the morning. And, behold, how quickly the prayers of faith are answered, and its expectations fulfilled!

To the chief Musician, a Psalm of David.

1 How long wilt thou forget me, Lord? shall it for ever be?

O how long shall it be, that thou wilt hide thy face from me?

2 How long take counsel in my soul, still sad in heart shall I? How long exalted over me

shall be mine enemy?

3 O Lord my God, consider well, and answer to me make: Mine eyes enlighten, lest the sleep of death me overtake:

of death me overtake:

Lest that mine enemy should say,
Against him I prevail'd;
And those that trouble me rejoice,
when I am mov'd and fail'd.

 But I have all my confidence thy mercy set upon:
 My heart within me shall rejoice in thy salvation.

6 I will unto the Lord my God sing praises cheerfully, Because he hath his bounty shown. to me abundantly.

### PSALM XIV.

This Psalm represents the fearful sinfulness and misery of mankind, and the marvellous method of deliverance therefrom. Behold here, (1.) All mankind fearfully infected with the God-dishonouring, the soul-debasing and defiling, the world-disturbing, malady of sinful corruption in heart and life, ver. 1-3. (2.) Warm expostulations for the conviction, awakening, and reclaiming of wicked men, ver. 4-6. (3.) Consolations exhibited to the righteous, from God's being among them, and being a refuge to them, and from his sending his Son to save and redeem them, ver. 5-7. - While I sing these lines. let me have a deep sense of my corruptions. Let me be ashamed of them before God. Let me with a broken heart and weeping eye, confess my filthiness and crimes. Let me groan after and flee to Jesus, the Saviour, the salvation of God. () wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from this abominable life; -from this inward

body of death!—Thanks to the Redeemer who is come to Zion to turn away ungodliness from Jacob!—Let therefore Jacob rejoice, and the Gentiles sing.

# To the chief Musician, a Psalm of David.

1 That there is not a God, the fool dcth in his heart conclude:
They are corrupt, their works are vile; not one of them doth good.

2 Upon men's sons the Lord from heav'n did cast his eyes abroad,

To see if any understood, and did seek after God.

3 They altogether filthy are, they all aside are gone; And there is none that doeth good, yea, sure there is not one.

4 These workers of iniquity
do they not know at all,
That they my people eat as bread,
and on God do not call?

5 There fear'd they much; for God is with the whole race of the just.

6 You shame the counsel of the poor, because God is his trust.

7 Let Isr'el's help from Sion come: when back the Lord shall bring His captives, Jacob shall rejoice, and Israel shall sing.

Here let me (1.) With wonder, observe the happy state of present fellowship with God, in his church on earth, and of everlasting fellowship with him, in the temple above, and how fixed the saints are in this their new covenant state, ver. 1, 5. (2.) Let me with self-examination remark the discriminating characters of such as are admitted to that happy state. They are sincere, upright, and honest, in all their ways; they are kind to neighbours: they esteem others in proportion to the appearance of Christ's image on them; and they prefer a good conscience to every earthly advantage, ver. 2-5.-While I sing, let me think of my perfect and all-sufficient Saviour, who is passed into the heavens:-is entered for me, as the forerunner. And having received him into my heart as my sanctifying furniture, let me walk in him as my way, and follow him as my pattern; denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, and living soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world. Thus shall the Father and the Son come unto me on earth, and take up their abode with me: and so shall I in heaven be for ever with the Lord.

# A Psalm of David.

- 1 WITHIN thy tabernacle, Lord, who shall abide with thee? And in thy high and holy hill who shall a dweller be?
- 2 The man that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness; And as he thinketh in his heart, so doth he truth express.
- 3 Who doth not slander with his tongue, nor to his friend doth hurt:
  Nor yet against his neighbour doth take up an ill report.

- 4 In whose eyes vile men are depis'd; but those that God do fear He honoureth: and changeth not, though to his hurt he swear.
- 5 His coin puts not to usury,
  nor take reward will he
  Against the guiltless. Who doth thus,
  shall never moved be.

### PSALM XVI.

This Psalm is indeed a Michtam, a golden Psalm. Behold the man according to God's heart, (1.) Committing himself to God as his Preserver, ver. 1. (2.) Avowing his endeared love to the people, and strict adherence to the worship of God, ver. 3, 4. (3.) With great confidence and joy, claiming God for his satisfying portion, ver. 2, 5-7. (4.) Comforting himself in and blessing God for his present intimacy with him, and granting direction to him, and for his certain prospect of the eternal enjoyment of him, ver. 8-11. But chiefly behold! here, Jesus, the man of God's right hand, surrendering himself up to his Father's service, in room of, and for the everlasting advantage of his elect! Behold him taking out his new-covenant claim to God, as his God and portion for ever; and as our God and portion in him! Behold, how, supported of God, in his holy manhood, he suffers unto a tremendous death, and debased burial; but being raised again, he is crowned with everlasting glory and honour! Behold! how the agonies of suffering, and the pains of death are succeeded with fullness of joy, and rivers of life and pleasures at God's right hand for evermore. Looking to him, let me with patience run the race that is set before me, living on, and rejoicing in God, as my ALL and IN ALL; and looking for the blessed hope, and glorious appearing of the great God my Saviour. Through him, neither sin, nor devils, nor death, nor hell, shall be able to prevent my immediate and everlasting enjoyment of JEHOVAH, as my infinite portion and exceeding joy.

## Michtam of David.

1 Lord keep me; for I trust in thee.2 To God thus was my speech;

Thou art my Lord, and unto thee my goodness doth not reach:

3 To saints on earth, to th' excellent, where my delight's all plac'd.

4 Their sorrows shall be multiply'd, to other gods that haste.

Of their drink-offerings of blood I will no off'ring make; Yea, neither I their very names up in my lips will take.

 5 God is of mine inheritance and cup the portion:
 The lot that fallen is to me thou dost maintain alone.

6 Unto me happily the lines in pleasant places fell; Yea, the inheritance I got in beauty doth excel.

7 I bless the Lord, because he doth by counsel me conduct: And in the seasons of the night my reins do me instruct.

8 Before me still the Lord I set:
sith it is so that he
Doth ever stand at my right hand,
I shall not moved be.

- 9 Because of this my heart is glad, and joy shall he exprest Ev'n by my glory: and my flesh in confidence shall rest.
- 10 Because my soul in grave to dwell shall not be left by thee; Nor wilt thou give thine Holy One corruption to see.
- 11 Thou wilt me shew the path of life:
   of joys there is full store
   Before thy face, at thy right hand
   are pleasures evermore.

#### PSALM XVII.

Here, in the depths of distress, (1.) David appeals to God, concerning the integrity of his heart, and the justness of his cause, ver. 1-4. (2.) He prays for establishment in grace within; for tokens of divine favour from above; and for preservation from his carnal, malicious, and insolent, his restless and powerful enemies around, ver. 5-14. (3.) He triumphs in the assured faith of his everlasting enjoyment of, and conformity to God. ver. 15. - T Let me also here look after Jesus, in whose heart was no deceit, and in whose mouth was no guile: - Jesus, who fulfilled all righteousness for me; and who, notwithstanding all the rage of devils and men, hath sat down at the right hand of God, crowned with glory and honour. Let me remember, That he, as the forerunner, is for me entered into the mansions of bliss; and hath left me an example, that I should follow his steps.

# A Prayer of David.

I LORD, hear the right, attend my cry, unto my pray'r give heed,

That doth not in hypocrisy from feigned lips proceed.

2 And from before thy presence forth my sentence do thou send: Toward those things that equal are, do thou thine eyes intend.

3 Thou prov'dst mine heart, thou visit'dst me
by night thou didst me try,
Yet nothing found'st; for that my mouth

shall not sin, purpos'd I:

4 As for men's works, I, by the word that from thy lips doth flow,
Did me preserve out of the paths wherein destroyers go.

5 Hold up my goings, Lord me guide in those thy paths divine, So that my footsteps may not slide out of those ways of thine.

6 I called have on thee, O God,
because thou wilt me hear:
That thou may'st hearken to my speech,
to me incline thine ear.

7 Thy wond'rous loving-kindness show, thou, that by thy right hand
Sav'st them that trust in thee, from those that up against them stand.

8 As th' apple of the eye me keep; in thy wings shade me close

9 From lewd oppressors compassing me round, as deadly foes.

10 In their own fat they are inclos'd, their mouth speaks loftily.

11 Our steps they compass'd; and to ground

down bowing set their eye.

12 He like unto a lion is that's greedy of his prey; Or lion young, which lurking doth in secret places stay.

13 Arise, and disappoint my foe, and cast him down, O Lord: My soul save from the wicked man, the man which is thy sword.

14 From men which are thy hand, O Lord, from wordly men me save,

Which only in this present life their part and portion have:

Whose belly with thy treasure hid thou fill'st: they children have In plenty, of their goods the rest

they to their children leave.

15 But as for me, I thine own face in righteousness will see: And, with thy likeness, when I wake, I satisfy'd shall be.

## PSALM XVIII.

In this Psalm of thanksgiving for manifold deliverances, observe (1.) David's ardent love to God in Christ, whom he believed to be his own, in every gracious and saving relation; and whom he had experienced, his merciful, almighty, and seasonable Deliverer from depths of trouble. ver. 1—19. (2.) His comfortable reflections, on the in-

tegrity which the Lord had enabled him to maintain, and on the gracious kindness of God consequential thereupon, ver. 20-28. (3.) His thankful ascription of all the glory of his noted exploits to God, as his director and strengthener, ver. 29-42. (4.) His triumphant faith and hope of further assistance and favour from God, to himself and to his seed, for evermore, ver. 43-50- But, let me not forget Jesus, to whom JEHOVAH is so closely, so marvellously, so sweetly related :- Jesus, who so ardently loveth his eternal Father, and for ever returns the grateful remembrance of his kindness, to him and to his chosen seed, in delivering him from distress, in raising him from the dead; in rewarding his obedience unto death, in giving him glory at his own right hand, and in rendering all nations his obedient subjects.-Let me sing this new song, in the full assurance of faith, that God in Christ is my ALL and IN ALL; and with an heart ravished with the consolations of Christ, and in the sweet reviews of what he hath done, what he doth, and what he will for ever do, for my soul.

To the chief Musician, a Psalm of David, the servant of the Lord, who spake unto the Lord the words of this song, in the day that the Lord delivered him from the hand of all his enemies, and from the hand of Saul. And he said,

1 THEE will I love, O Lord, my strength.

2 My fortress is the Lord, My rock and he that doth to me

My rock and he that doth to m deliverance afford:

My God, my strength, whom I will trust, a buckler unto me,

The horn of my salvation, and my high tower is he.

3 Upon the Lord who worthy is of praises will I cry; And then shall I preserved be safe from mine enemy.

4 Floods of ill men affrighted me, death's pangs about me went.

5 Hell's sorrows me environed: death's snares did me prevent.

6 In my distress I call'd on God, cry to my God did I:
He from his temple heard my voice, to his ears came my cry.

7 Th' earth, as affrighted, then did shake, trembling upon it seiz'd:

(The hills' foundations moved were

'The hills' foundations moved were, because he was displeas'd.

8 Up from his nostrils came a smoke, and from his mouth there came Devouring fire, and coals by it were turned into flame.

9 He also bowed down the heav'ns, and thence he did descend: And thickest clouds of darkness did under his feet attend.

10 And he upon a cherub rode, and thereon he did fly: Yea, on the swift wings of the wind his flight was from on high.

11 He darkness made his secret place:
about him for his tent
Dark waters were, and thickest clouds

of th' airy firmament.

12 And at the brightness of that light
which was before his eye,
His thick clouds pass'd away, hail-stones
and coals of fire did fly.

13 The Lord God also in the heav'ns did thunder in his ire,
And there the Highest gave his voice,
hail-stones and coals of fire.

14 Yea, he his arrows sent abroad, and them he scattered:His lightnings also he shot out, and them discomfited.

15 The waters' channels then were seen, the world's foundations vast, At thy rebuke discov'red were, and at thy nostrils' blast.

16 And from above the Lord sent down, and took me from below; From many waters he me drew, which would me overflow.

17 He me reliev'd from my strong foes, and such as did me hate:

Because he saw that they for me too strong were, and too great.

18 They me prevented in the day
of my calamity;
But, even then, the Lord himself
a stay was unto me.

19 He to a place where liberty and room was hath me brought:

Bocause he took delight in me, he my deliv'rance wrought.

20 According to my righteousness he did me recompense,

He me repaid according to my hands' pure innocence.

21 For I God's ways kept, from my God

did not turn wickedly.

22 His judgments were before me, I his laws put not from me.

23 Sincere before him was my heart, with him upright was I:

And watchfully I kept myself

from mine iniquity.

24 After my righteousness the Lord hath recompensed me,
After the cleanness of my hands appearing in his eye.

25 Thou gracious to the gracious art, to upright men upright.

26 Pure to the pure, froward thou kyth'st

unto the froward wight.

27 For thou wilt the afflicted save in grief that low do lie:But wilt bring down the countenance of them whose looks are high.

28 The Lord will light my candle so, that it shall shine full bright: The Lord my God will also make my darkness to be light. 29 By thee through troops of men I break, and them discomfit all: And by my God assisting me,

I overleap a wall.

30 As for God, perfect is his way; the Lord his word is try'd; He is a buckler to all those who do in him confide.

31 Who but the Lord is God? but he

who is a rock and stay?

32 'Tis God that girdeth me with strength, and perfect makes my way.

33 He made my feet swift as the hinds, set me on my high places.

34 Mine hands to war he taught, mine arms brake bows of steel in pieces.

35 The shield of thy salvation thou didst on me bestow:

Thy right hand held me up, and great thy kindness made me grow.

36 And in my way my steps thou hast enlarged under me,

That I go safely, and my feet are kept from sliding free.

37 Mine en'mies I pursued have and did them overtake; Nor did I turn again till I

an end of them did make.

38 I wounded them, they could not rise, they at my feet did fall.

39 Thou girdest me with strength for war, my foes thou brought'st down all.

40 And thou hast giv'n to me the necks of all mine enemies:

That I might them destroy and slay who did against me rise.

41 They cried out, but there was none that would or could them save:

Yea, they did cry unto the Lord, but he no answer gave.

42 Then did I beat them small as dust before the wind that flies:

And I did cast them out like dirt upon the street that lies.

43 Thou mad'st me free from people's strife, and heathen's head to be:

A people whom I have not known

A people whom I have not known shall service do to me.

44 At hearing they shall me obey, to me they shall submit.

45 Strangers for fear shall fade away, who in close places sit.

46 God lives, bless'd be my Rock: the God of my health praised be.

47 God doth avenge me, and subdues the people under me.

48 He saves me from mine enemies:
yea, thou hast lifted me
Above my foes; and from the man

of vi'lence set me free.

49 Therefore to thee will I give thanks the heathen folk among: And to thy name, O Lord, I will sing praises in a song.

50 He great deliv'rance gives his king: he mercy doth extend To David, his anointed one.

and his seed without end.

## PSALM XIX.

Now the books of God are opened, not for my trial and condemnation in the last judgment, but for my instruction. Let my soul look and read thereon. (1.) The book of Creation and Providence, in which all the works of God instruct mankind in general, concerning the eternal wisdom, power, and goodness of their Maker, 1-6. (2.) The book of Inspiration, the sure, the right, the pure, the true, the perfect, and powerful, oracles, which instruct, convert, comfort, and warn the members of the church; and in keeping of which, there is an exceeding great and everlasting reward of glory obtained, ver. 7-11 (3.) What conviction of sin! What supplication for pardon of it, and preservation from it; and for the acceptance of our duties, through Jesus' blood, doth, or ought to ensue upon a proper perusal of these volumes of heaven, ver. 12-14. While I sing these matters, let me, conscious of my own ignorance and folly, in all things consult the mind of God. Let me blush, that my experience of the powerful influences of God's word is so scanty; and that in me still dwell such fearful remains of sinful corruption: Let me cry mightily to God, for the subduing and destruction thereof.

To the chief Musician, a Psalm of David.

1 THE heav'ns God's glory do declare: the skies his hand-works preach.

2 Day utters speech to day, and night to night doth knowledge teach.

3 There is no speech, nor tongue, to which

their voice doth not extend.

4 Their line is gone through all the earth, their words to the world's end.

In them he set the sun a tent,

Who bridegroom-like forth goes From's chamber, as a strong man doth to run his race rejoice.

6 From heaven's end is his going forth circling to th' end again:

And there is nothing from his heat that hidden doth remain.

7 God's law is perfect, and converts the soul in sin that lies:

God's testimony is most sure, and makes the simple wise.

8 The statutes of the Lord are right, and do rejoice the heart:

The Lord's command is pure, and doth light to the eyes impart.

9 Unspotted is the fear of God, and doth endure for ever:

The judgments of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether.

10 They more than gold, yea, much fine gold

to be desired are:

Than honey, honey from the comb that droppeth sweeter far.

11 Moreover, they thy servant warn how he his life should frame:

A great reward provided is

for them that keep the same.

12 Who can his errors understand?

O cleanse thou me within

13 From secret faults. Thy servant keep from all presumptuous sin.

And do no not suffer them to have dominion over me: Then righteous and innocent

I from much sin shall be.

14 The words which from my mouth proceed, the thoughts sent from my heart, Accept, O Lord; for thou my strength and my Redeemer art.

## PSALM XX.

Probably this Psalm was composed to be a prayer for success, in some particular expedition in David's wars. Here, (1.) The people pray for their king; that God would grant him his requests; protect, assist, and strengthen him in his work; accept his oblations; and succeed his projects for the public welfare, ver. 1—4. (2.) They triumph in God, as their only strength and deliverer, in whom they shall be more than conquerors, ver. 5, 6.—
¶ Let not me forget Jesus, for whom prayer is made continually,—Jesus, who shall be daily praised; and whom the Father heareth always, accepts his sacrifice, and crowns him with glory and honour. And let no creature, but Jerdovah as my God in Christ, be the ground and the object of all my faith and expectation.

# To the chief Musician, a Psalm of David.

1 JEHOVAH hear thee in the day when trouble he doth send: And let the name of Jacob's God

and let the name of Jacob's Goother thee from all ill defend.

2 O let him help send from above, out of his sanctuary; From Sion his own holy hill, let him give strength to thee.

3 Let him remember all thy gifts, accept thy sacrifice:

4 Grant thee thine heart's wish, and fulfil thy thoughts and counsel wise.

5 In thy salvation we will joy; in our God's name we will Display our banners: and the Lord thy prayers all fulfil.

6 Now know I God his king doth save: he from his holy heav'n Will hear him, with the saving strength by his own right hand giv'n.

7 In chariots some put confidence, some horses trust upon: But we remember will the name of our Lord God alone.

8 We rise, and upright stand, when they are bowed down and fall.

9 Deliver Lord, and let the King us hear when we do call.

In this song of thanksgiving, observe (1.) All the joys, the honours, and happiness, of king David, founded in the perfections and gracious works of God, ver. 1-6. (2.) Full assurance of the stability of David's throne, and of the discovery and destruction of his implacable opposers, ver. 7. -12. (3.) Earnest supplications to God for the exhilarating displays of his glory and power, ver. 13. - I But chiefly, my soul, behold here, the everlasting honours, joys, happiness, and blissful influences of thy Redeemer! Behold how fixed is his kingdom and dignity, in the infinite, everlasting, and unchangeable wisdom, power, mercy, equity, goodness, and truth of the Most High! Behold what inexpressible vengeance kindles upon and destroys his Jewish-his Heathen-his Antichristian, and other incorrigible foes !- Rejoice, my soul, in this God thy Saviour. Rejoice at the glory wherewith he is crowned, -at the life granted to, and lodged in him; and in his being made blessings for evermore to men.-Blessings for evermore to me. And let the ruinous overthrow of his Jewish, or other enemies, make me stand in awe to provoke him, by presumptuous refusal of him, or rebellion against him.

To the chief Musician, a Psalm of David.

1 The king in thy great strength, O Lord, shall very joyful be:
In thy salvation rejoice
how veh mently shall he.

2 Thou hast bestowed upon him all that his heart would have, And thou from him didst not withhold whate'er his lips did crave.

3 For thou with blessings him prevent'st of goodness manifold;
And thou hast set upon his head

a crown of purest gold.

- 4 When he desired life of thee, thou life to him did'st give; Ev'n such a length of days, that he for evermore should live.
- 5 In that salvation wrought by thee his glory is made great:
  Honour and comely majesty thou hast upon him set.
- 6 Because that thou for evermore most blessed hast him made:
  And thou hast with thy countenance made him exceeding glad.
- 7 Because the king upon the Lord his confidence doth lay, And, thro' the grace of the most High, shall not be moved away.

8 Thine hand shall all those men find out that en'mies are to thee,

Ev'n thy right hand shall find out those of thee that haters be.

9 Like fiery ov'n thou shalt them make, when kindled is thine ire:

God shall them swallow in his wrath, devour them shall the fire.

10 Their fruit from earth thou shalt destroy, their seed men from among.

11 For they beyond their might 'gainst thee, did plot mischief and wrong.

12 Thou therefore shalt make them turn back when thou thy shafts shalt place

Upon thy strings, made ready all to fly against their face.

13 In thy great power and strength, O Lord, be thou exalted high:

So shall we sing with joyful hearts

So shall we sing with joyful hearts, thy power praise shall we.

## PSALM XXII.

Here the debasement and exaltation of David, king of Israel, are merely subservient to, and figurative of, the debasement and exaltation of Jesus Christ, our blessed Aijeleth Shahar, Hind of the morning. [1.] In this deep debasement, we find (1.) Bitter, but kindly and believing, complaints of God's withdrawment, -attended with earnest attempts of faith to quiet the complainer's soul under it,-drawn from the consideration of God's holiness and highness, and his seasonable deliverance of his people in former times, when they cried to him, ver. 1-5. (2.) Bitter complaints of men's reproaches and contemptuous derision, -attended with self-encouragements, drawn from former experience of God's early and seasonable care and friendship, ver. 6-10. (3) Bitter complaints of the number and rage of enemies, attended with exquisite agonies of body and mind, mingled with earnest prayers for God's speedy support, assistance, and powerful deliverance, ver. 11—22——¶ While I sing these, let me behold the vileness, the criminality, the destructive influence of sin! Let me behold the sovereignty of God, who not only scourgeth every son whom he receiveth, but spared not his only begotten Son, but delivered him up for us all! Behold how he hates! How he punisheth our sin! And what manner of love he bestowed upon us, that we might be called the sons of God! Behold! how he commendeth his love unto us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us! And if Jesus, with patience, bore such desertion, reproach, and distress, let me, in the firm faith that he did all for me, and that God is mine, and maketh all things work for my good, study an unhampered resignation to his will.

[2] By the typical exaltation of David, and the increase, happiness, honour, and duration of his kingdom we have prefigured the glorious exaltation of our Redeemer, importing, that he should have a church among men; that his Father should be glorified in them as well as in him; that his true subjects should abound in prayer, praise, and spiritual comfort, and everlasting life; and that his church should be enlarged with multitudes, of both Jews and Gentiles; and should to his honour, and for his worship and service, continue to all generations, ver. 22-31. -- While I sing this, let me trust and rejoice in, and plead his promises, relative to myself and his church. Let me ponder, whether I have heard his voice, shared his saving pity, feasted on his spiritual provision, and worshipped him in spirit, and in truth? And whether it is the desire of my soul to cause his name to be remembered to all generations?

# To the chief Musician, upon Aijeleth Shahar, a Psalm of David.

1 My God, my God, why hast thou me forsaken? why so far Art thou from helping me, and from

my words that roaring are?

2 All day, my God, to thee I cry, yet am not heard by thee; And in the season of the night I cannot silent be.

3 But thou art holy thou that dost inhabit Isr'el's praise.

4 Our fathers hop'd in thee, they hop'd, and thou didst them release.

5 When unto thee they sent their cry, to them deliverance came:

Because they put their trust in thee, they were not put to shame.

6 But as for me, a worm I am, and as no man am priz'd: Reproach of men I am, and by the people am despis'd.

7 All that me see laugh me to scorn; shoot out the lip do they; They nod and shake their heads at me,

and, mocking, thus do say,

8 This man did trust in God, that he would free him by his might:

Let him deliver him, sith he

had in him such delight.

9 But thou art he out of the womb
that didst me safely take;
When I was on my mother's breasts
thou me to hope didst make.

10 And I was cast upon thy care,
ev'n from the womb till now:
And from my mother's belly, Lord,
my God and guide art thou.

11 Be not far off, for grief is near, and none to help is found.

12 Bulls many compass me, strong bulls of Bashan me surround.

13 Their mouths they opened wide on me, upon me gape did they, Like to a lion ravening

and roaring for his prey.

14 Like water I'm pour'd out, my bones all out of joint do part:

Amidst my bowels, as the wax, so melted is my heart.

15 My strength is like a potsherd dry'd: my tongue it cleaveth fast Unto my jaws; and to the dust of death thou brought me hast.

16 For dogs have compass'd me about: the wicked that did meet In their assembly, me inclos'd; they pierc'd my hands and feet.

17 I all my bones may tell; they do upon me look and stare.

18 Upon my vesture lots they cast, and clothes among them share.

19 But be not far, O Lord, my strength: haste to give help to me.

20 From sword my soul, from pow'r of dogs my darling set thou free.

21 Out of the roaring lion's mouth do thou me shield and save:

For from the horns of unicorns an ear to me thou gave.

22 I will shew forth thy name unto those that my brethren are: Amidst the congregation thy praise I will declare.

23 Praise ye the Lord, who do him fear; him glorify, all ye

The seed of Jacob; fear him all that Isr'el's children be.

24 For he despis'd not, nor abhorr'd th' afflicted's misery:Nor from him hid his face, but heard when he to him did cry.

Within the congregation great my praise shall be of thee:My vows before them that him fear shall be perform'd by me.

26 The meek shall eat, and shall he fill'd; they also praise shall give Unto the Lord, that do him seek:

your heart shall ever live.

27 All ends of th' earth remember shall, and turn the Lord unto:

All kindreds of the nations to him shall homage do:

28 Because the kingdom to the Lord
doth appertain as his:
Likewise among the nations
the Governor he is.

29 Earth's fat ones eat, and worship shall:
all who to dust descend
Shall bow to him: none of them can

his soul from death defend.

30 A seed shall service do to him;
unto the Lord it shall

Be for a generation reckon'd in ages all.

31 They shall come, and they shall declare his truth and right'ousness
Unto a people yet unborn,
and that he hath done this.

### PSALM XXIII.

Here is the children's Psalm, and which is, in very deed, a noted Song of all the children of God. Behold (1.) New covenant-relation to God, as a full and everlasting security against hurtful wants, ver. 1. (2.) Pleasant experience of God's acting up to his new covenant character, indisposing of, directing, assisting, and feasting, and comforting his people, ver. 2, 3, 5. (3.) Wellgrounded hopes of God's careful and seasonable supplies; and of his comfortable presence and help, amidst distress and death; and of the perpetual and everlasting manifestation of his mercy and grace to us-ward; and of our endless nearness to, and immediate enjoyment of him, ver. 1, 4, 5, 6.—— While I sing, let me think, as before God, whether I have the experimental knowledge of all these things. Let my soul be as a daughter of the horseleech, crying mightily, Give, Give what is good. And let me in all these forms, taste and see that God is good.

# A Psalm of David.

1 THE Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want.

2 He makes me down to lie
In pastures green: he leadeth me
the quiet waters by.

3 My soul he doth restore again; and me to walk doth make Within the paths of right'ousness ev'n for his own name's sake. 4 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear none ill:
For thou art with me, and thy rod

and staff me comfort still.

My table thou hast furnished in presence of my foes;
 My head thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.

6 Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me: And in God's house for evermore my dwelling-place shall be.

## PSALM XXIV.

Probably this Psalm was penned for the use of the Hebrews when David brought up the harp of God to Jerusalem, or when Solomon brought it into the temple, 2 Sam. vi. I Kings viii. in order to raise their hearts above their external ceremonies, to a reception of, and walking in Christ, who was thereby prefigured. Observe, (1.) Christ's kingdom of nature, comprehending the whole world, and all the inhabitants thereof, ver. 1, 2. (2.) His kingdom of grace, in the nature of it, the gracious character of its subjects; and their charter to their everlasting happiness above, ver. 3-6. (3.) Under the figure of a call to admit the ark, we have a solemn summons issued forth by God for the heavens to receive Jesus our glorious and almighty King, into the blissful abodes in his ascension: And for us to receive him into our hearts and societies below, ver. 7-10 .- T While I sing, let me be affected with the double claim the Redeemer hath on me as his creature, and as his ransomed one. Let me try, whether I possess the distinguishing characters of a real saint, and whether I have received an abundance of the gift of righteousness, and of blessedness, from the

God of my salvation. Let me charge, let me rouse up all my inward powers to receive Jesus Christ the Lord. as made of God, unto me wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption.

# A Psalm of David.

1 THE earth belongs unto the Lord, and all that it contains ; The world that is inhabited. and all that there remains.

2 For the foundations thereof he on the seas did lay, And he hath it established upon the floods to stay.

3 Who is the man that shall ascend into the hill of God? Or who within his holy place shall have a firm abode.

4 Whose hands are clean, whose heart is pure, and unto vanity

Who hath not lifted up his soul, nor sworn deceitfully.

5 He from th' Eternal shall receive the blessing him upon: And righteousness ev'n from the God of his salvation.

6 This is the generation that after him enquire, O Jacob who do seek thy face

with their whole heart's desire.

7 Ye gates lift up your heads on high,
 ye doors, that last for aye,
 Be lifted up that so the King of glory enter may.

8 But who of glory is the King? The mighty Lord is this; Ev'n that same Lord, that great in might and strong in battle is.

9 Ye gates, lift up your heads, ye doors, doors that do last for aye,

Be lifted up that so the King of glory enter may.

10 But who is he that is the King
of glory? who is this?
The Lord of hosts, and none but he
the King of glory is.

## PSALM XXV.

In singing this Psalm, let me observe (1.) What serious work prayer is, what lifting up of soul:-what directing of eyes to God, and fixing them on him, must be in it, ver. 1-15. (2.) What mercies ought to be prayed for, pardon of sin, ver. 6, 7-18.-direction in duty, ver. 4, 5.—familiar intimacy with God, ver. 16. deliverance from trouble, ver. 17, 18.—preservation from adversaries, ver. 20, 21. And in fine, safety and deliverance to the Church, ver. 22. (3.) What pleas are proper to be used in prayer; -as the trust we have reposed in God, ver. 2, 3, 5-20, 21.-()ur own divinely effected sincerity in the Lord's way, ver. 21 .- Our distress, and the malice of our enemies, ver. 2, 16-19. But chiefly the mercy that is in God, and the glory which redounds to his name from his bestowing of newcovenant favours, ver. 6, 7-11. (4.) Strong encouragements to prayer, taken from the perfections of God's nature; and from his promises of instruction and direction; and from the fulness and grace of his Covenant; and from his delight in allowing men familiar intimacy and fellowship with himself, ver. 8—14.——¶ Let these things, my soul, be the object of thy strictest care and attention in all thy addresses to God.

## A Psalm of David.

1 To thee I lift my soul.

O Lord I trust in thee:

My God let me not be ashamed,

nor foes triumph o'er me.

3 Let none that wait on thee
be put to shame at all;
But those that without cause transgress,
let shame upon them fall.

4 Shew me thy ways, O Lord; thy paths, O teach thou me:

5 And do thou lead me in thy truth,
therein my teacher be:
For thou art God that dost
to me salvation send,
And I upon thee all the day
expecting do attend.

6 Thy tender mercies, Lord,
I pray thee to remember,
And loving-kindnesses; for they
lave been of old for ever.

7 My sins and faults of youth do thou, O Lord, forget; After thy mercy think on me, and for thy goodness great. 8 God good and upright is: the way he'll sinners show.

9 The meek in judgment he will guide, and make his path to know.

10 The whole paths of the Lord are truth and mercy sure, To those that do his cov'nant keep, and testimonies pure.

11 Now for thine own name's sake,
O Lord, I thee entreat
To pardon mine iniquity;
for it is very great.

12 What man is he that fears
the Lord, and doth him serve?
Him shall he teach the way that he
shall choose, and still observe.

13 His soul shall dwell at ease, and his posterity Shall flourish still, and of the earth inheritors shall be.

14 With those that fear him is the secret of the Lord: The knowledge of his covenant he will to them afford.

15 Mine eyes upon the Lord continually are set:

For he it is that shall bring forth my feet out of the net.

16 Turn unto me thy face, and to me mercy show;

Because that I am desolate, and am brought very low.

17 My heart's griefs are increas'd, me from distress relieve.

18 See mine affliction and my pain, and all my sins forgive.

19 Consider thou my foes, because they many are, And it a cruel hatred is which they against me bear.

20 O do thou keep my soul, do thou deliver me: And let me never be asham'd. because I trust in thee.

21 Let uprightness and truth keep me who thee attend.

22 Redemption, Lord, to Israel from all his troubles send.

# Another of the same.

1 To thee I lift my soul, O Lord:

My God I trust in thee: Let me not be asham'd; let not my foes triumph o'er me.

3 Yea, let thou none ashamed be that do on thee attend; Ashamed let them be, O Lord. who without cause offend.

4 Thy ways, Lord, shew; teach me thy paths;

Lead me in truth, teach me:

For of my safety thou art God, all day I wait on thee.

6 Thy mercies that most tender are, do thou, O Lord, remember, And loving-kindnesses: for they have been of old for ever.

7 Let not the errors of my youth, nor sins remember'd be; In mercy, for thy goodness' sake, O Lord remember me.

8 The Lord is good and gracious,
he upright is also:
He therefore sinners will instruct
in ways that they should go.

9 The meek and lowly he will guide in judgment just alway; To meek and poor afflicted ones he'll clearly teach his way.

10 The whole paths of the Lord our God are truth and mercy sure,
To such as keep his covenant,
and testimonies pure.

11 Now for thine own name's sake, O Lord,
I humbly thee entreat
To pardon mine injunity:

To pardon mine iniquity:
for it is very great.

12 What man fears God? him shall he teach the way that he shall choose.

13 His soul shall dwell at ease, his seed the earth, as heirs, shall use.

14 The secret of the Lord is with such as do fear his name,
And he his holy covenant will manifest to them.

15 Towards the Lord my waiting eyes continually are set:
For he it is that shall bring forth

For he it is that shall bring forth my feet out of the net.

 O turn thee unto me, O God, have mercy me upon:
 Because I solitary am, and in affliction.

17 Enlarg'd the griefs are to mine heart: me from distress relieve.

- 18 See mine affliction and my pain, and all my sins forgive.
- 19 Consider thou mine enemies,
  because they many are,
  And it a cruel hatred is
  which they against me bear.
- 20 O do thou keep my soul; O God, do thou deliver me:

  Let me not be asham'd; for I
  do put my trust in thee.
- 21 O let integrity and truth keep me, who thee attend.
- 22 Redemption, Lord, to Israel from all his troubles send.

Here (1.) David solemnly appeals to God, concerning his integrity; his constant regard to him and his grace; his regular attendance upon instituted ordinances; and his fixed aversion to sin and sinners, ver. 1—8. (2.) He deprecates from himself the condemnation of the wicked, and his being shut up in society with them, ver. 9, 10. (3.) Depending on the mercy of God, he resolves to hold fast his integrity, and maintain his confident hopes of eternal life, ver. 11, 12.——¶ While I sing, let the perfect God-man come into my mind. Let me wash myself in his blood, and so compass God's altar with songs of praise for his favours. Making Jesus' example my pattern; let his ordinances be my pleasure, and his people my sole intimates and familiars on earth.

# A Psalm of David.

1 Judge me, O Lord, for I have walk'd in mine integrity: I trusted also in the Lord:

I trusted also in the Lord; slide therefore shall not I.

2 Examine me and do me prove: try heart and reins, O God.

3 For thy love is before mine eyes, thy truth's paths I have trode.

4 With persons vain I have not sat, nor with dissemblers gone.

5 Th' assembly of ill men I hate:

6 Mine hands in innocence, O Lord, I'll wash and purify; So to thine holy altar go, and compass it will I. 7 That I, with voice of thanksgiving, may publish and declare, And tell of all thy mighty works, that great and wond'rous are.

8 The habitation of thy house,
Lord, I have loved well:
Yea, in that place I do delight
where doth thine honour dwell.

9 With sinners gather not my soul, and such as blood would spill:

10 Whose hands mischievous plots, right corrupting bribes do fill. [hand

11 But as for me, I will walk on in mine integrity: Do thou redeem me, and, O Lord, be merciful to me.

12 My foot upon an even place doth stand with steadfastness: Within the congregations th' Eternal I will bless.

#### PSALM XXVII.

For thy instruction, my soul behold here, (1.) The holy courage and undaunted bravery of true faith, amidst manifold dangers and enemies, ver, 1—3. (2.) What earnestness there ought to be; and what pleasure, profit, and honour, there are, in the study of familiar fellowship with God, ver. 4—6. (3.) Fervent desires, with strong cries and supplications for the gracious favour, spiritual presence, and saving direction and protection of God, ver. 7—12. (4.) Strong and encouraging expectations of help, favour, and strength from God, ver. 10, 13, 14.——7

While I sing, let my soul enter into the very marrow of these matters. Let God himself be relied on, as my trust, my Saviour, and my ALL IN ALL. Let my heart burn with superlative desires after the knowledge and enjoyment of Him. Let nothing less than the most familiar communication with Him here, and the full enjoyment of Him hereafter satisfy my longings. Let me readily embrace every invitation to seek His face. Amidst enemies and distresses unnumbered, let me always believe in, wait for, and boast of God my Lord.

# A Psalm of David.

1 The Lord's my light and saving health, who shall make me dismayed? My life's strength is the Lord, of whom then shall I be afraid?

2 When as mine enemies and foes, most wicked persons all, To eat my flesh against me rose

they stumbled and did fall.

3 Against me though an host encamp, my heart yet fearless is:

Though war against me rise, I will be confident in this.

4 One thing I of the Lord desir'd, and will seek to obtain,

That all days of my life I may within God's house remain,

That I the beauty of the Lord behold may and admire,

And that I in his holy place may rev'rently enquire.

- 5 For he in his pavilion shall.

  me hide in evil days;

  In secret of his tent me hide,
  and on a rock me raise.
- 6 And now even at this present time
  mine head shall lifted be
  Above all those that are my foes,
  and round encompass me:
  Therefore unto his tabernacle
  I'll sacrifices bring
  Of joyfulness: I'll sing, yea, I

Of joyfulness: I'll sing, yea, I to God will praises sing.

- 7 O Lord, give ear unto my voice, when I do cry to thee: Upon me also mercy have, and do thou answer me.
- 8 When thou didst say, Seek ye my face, then unto thee reply
  Thus did my heart, Above all things thy face, Lord, seek will I.
- 9 Far from me hide not thou thy face, put not away from thee Thy servant in thy wrath: thou hast an helper been to me.

O God of my salvation, leave me not, nor forsake.

- 10 Though me my parents both should leave, the Lord will me up take.
- 11 O Lord, instruct me in thy way, to me a leader be

In a plain path, because of those that hatred bear to me.

12 Give me not to mine en'mies' will; for witnesses that lie
Against me risen are, and such as breathe out cruelty.

13 I fainted had, unless that I
believed had to see
The Lord's own goodness in the land
of them that living be.

14 Wait on the Lord, and be thou strong, and he shall strength afford Unto thine heart, yea, do thou wait I say upon the Lord.

## PSALM XXVIII.

Observe here (1.) David amidst great distress, earnestly supplicating deliverance from his God, ver. 1—3. (2.) His implacable enemies doomed to the just punishment of their sins, ver. 4, 5. (3.) Himself triumphing in God, as the hearer of his prayers, and as his protector, help and strength, ver. 6—8. (4.) His solemn supplication for salvation and blessedness:—for nourishment, honour and safety, to the people of God.

# A Psalm of David.

1 To thee I'll cry, O Lord, my rock,
hold not thy peace to me:
Lest like those that to pit descend
I by thy silence be.

2 The voice hear of my humble pray'rs, when unto thee I cry: When to thy holy oracle

I lift mine hands on high.

3 With ill men draw me not away that work iniquity.

That speak peace to their friends, while in their hearts doth mischief lie.

4 Give them according to their deeds and ills endeavoured:

And as their handy-works deserve, to them be rendered.

5 God shall not build, but them destroy, who would not understand

The Lord's own works, nor did regard the doing of his hand.

6 For ever blessed be the Lord:
for graciously he heard
The voice of my petitions,

and prayers did regard.

7 The Lord's my strength and shield, my upon him did rely, [heart

And I am helped; hence my heart doth joy exceedingly,

And with my song I will him praise.

Their strength is God alone: He also is the saving strength of his anointed one.

9 O thine own people do thou save, bless thine inheritance;

Them also do thou feed, and them for evermore advance.

#### PSALM XXIX.

This Psalm was probably composed on the occasion of a thunder-storm. It is a solemn charge from heaven to great men to worship and glorify God; who (1.) in magnificence and power thundereth in the most terrible, alarming, and destructive manner, ver. 1—9. (2.) Who is supreme Governor of the world, and bestoweth strength and peace on his peculiar people, ver. 10, 11.

## A Psalm of David.

1 GIVE ye unto the Lord, ye sons that of the mighty be;
All strength and glory to the Lord with cheerfulness give ye.

2 Unto the Lord the glory give that to his name is due: And in the beauty of holiness unto JEHOVAH bow.

3 The Lord's voice on the waters is; the God of majesty Doth thunder, and on multitudes of waters sitteth he.

4 A pow'rful voice it is that comes out from the Lord most high: The voice of that great Lord is full of glorious majesty.

5 The voice of the Eternal doth
asunder cedars tear:
Yea, God the Lord doth cedars break
that Lebanon doth bear.

6 He makes them like a calf to skip:
ev'n that great Lebanon,
And like to a young unicorn
the mountain Sirion.

7 God's voice divides the flames of fire:

The desert it doth shake:
The Lord doth make the wilderness
of Kadesh all to quake.

9 God's voice doth make the hinds to calve; it makes the forest bare;

And in his temple ev'ry one his glory doth declare.

10 The Lord sits on the floods: the Lord sits King and ever shall.

11 The Lord will give his people strength, and with peace bless them all.

### PSALM XXX.

In this Psalm, composed for the dedication of the new palace, which David had built for himself at Jerusalem, 2 Samuel, v. 11. or for the dedication of it, after it had been polluted by Absalom, 2 Samuel, xvi. He (1.) Offers thanksgiving to God for the answering of his prayers;—the overthrowing of his enemies:—and the preserving of his life, ver. 1—3, 11, 12. (2.) He calls and charges others to praise the Lord on account of the purity of his nature, the short duration of his frowns, and the sweetness of his favours, ver. 4, 5. (3.) He remarks, how his carnal security under prosperity had occasioned his sudden fall into divine hidings and frowns, ver. 6, 7. (4.) He recollects what supplications he had made to God, in his former distress, ver 8—10. (5.) He triumphs in the

kindness of God towards him: and resolves to praise and thank him for evermore on account of it, ver. 11, 12.—

While I sing, let me, with a grateful heart, remember the Lord's mercies. Let me remember my own follies; and how the Lord corrected me for them. Let me look after my prayers, and wait for an answer. And the nearer my end draweth, let my heart and mouth be the more abundantly filled with the high praises of my God, and my Saviour.

# A Psalm and Song at the Dedication of the house of David.

1 Lord I will thee extol, for thou hast lifted me on high, And over me thou to rejoice mad'st not mine enemy.

2 O thou who art the Lord my God, I in distress to thee With loud cries lifted up my voice, and thou hast healed me.

3 O Lord, my soul thou hast brought up and rescu'd from the grave; That I to pit should not go down, alive thou didst me save.

4 O ye that are his holy ones, sing praise unto the Lord: And give unto him thanks, when ye his holiness record.

5 For but a moment lasts his wrath; life in his favour lies; Weeping may for a night endure, at morn doth joy arise. 6 In my prosperity I said, that nothing shall me move.

7 O Lord, thou hast my mountain made to stand strong by thy love:

But when that thou, O gracious God, didst hide thy face from me, Then quickly was my prosp'rous state

turn'd into misery.

8 Wherefore unto the Lord my cry
I caused to ascend:
My humble supplication
I to the Lord did send.

9 What profit is there in my blood, when I go down to pit? Shall unto thee the dust give praise?

thy truth declare shall it?

10 Hear, Lord, have mercy, help me, Lord,

Thou turned hast my sadness
To dancing: yea, my sackcloth

To dancing; yea, my sackcloth loos'd and girded me with gladness;

12 That sing thy praise my glory may, and never silent be.

O Lord, my God, for evermore I will give thanks to thee.

## PSALM XXXI.

Observe here (1.) David's solemn professions of his dependance upon God; and his prayers for support and deliverance, ver. 1—8. (2.) His sad complaints of inward grief, bodily weakness, unkindness of friends, unjust

censures of enemies, and horror of death,—attended with solemn commitment of himself to God's mercy and care, and earnest supplication for deliverance from enemies, ver. 9—18. (3.) Amidst admiration of God's kindness to his people, and thanksgiving for favours to himself, he encourageth himself and others, firmly to trust in God, ver. 19—24.——¶ While I sing, let me be deeply affected with my sores, and maladies, and troubles: And cast all my burdens on the Lord. In the assured faith that He is God, even my God. Let me admire his gracious thoughts, words, and deeds to me-ward, and commit myself wholly to his care and protection.

# To the chief Musician, a Psalm of David,

- 1 In thee, O Lord, I put my trust, sham'd let me never be:
  According to thy righteousness do thou deliver me.
- 2 Bow down thine ear to me, with speed send me deliverance:To save me, my strong rock be thou and my house of defence.
- 3 Because thou art my rock, and thee
  I for my fortress take;
  Therefore do thou me lead and guide,
  ev'n for thy own name's sake.
- 4 And sith thou art my strength, therefore pull me out of the net,
  Which they in subtilty for me so privily have set.
- 5 Into thine hands I do commit.
  my spirit: for thou art he,

O thou JEHOVAH, God of truth, that hast redeemed me.

6 Those that do lying vanities regard, I have abhorr'd:
But as for me my confidence is fixed on the Lord

is fixed on the Lord.

7 I'll in thy mercy gladly joy:
for thou my miseries
Consider'd hast; thou hast my soul

known in adversities.

8 And thou hast not inclosed me within the en'my's hand;
And by thee have my feet been made in a large room to stand.

9 O Lord, upon me mercy have, for trouble is on me: Mine eye, my belly, and my soul

with grief consumed be.

10 Because my life with grief is spent, my years with sighs and groans: My strength doth fail; and for my sin consumed are my bones.

11 I was a scorn to all my foes, and to my friends a fear; And specially reproach'd of those that were my neighbours near: When they me saw, they from me fled.

12 Ev'n so I am forgot,

As men are out of mind when dead:

I'm like a broken pot.

13 For slanders I of many heard,
fear compass'd me, while they
Against me did consult, and plot
to take my life away.

14 But as for me, O Lord, my trust upon thee I did lay:
And I to thee, Thou art my God,

did confidently say.

15 My times are wholly in thine hand:
do thou deliver me
From their hands that mine enemies

and persecutors be.

16 Thy countenance to shine do thou
upon thy servant make:
Unto me give salvation,
for thy great mercies' sake.

17 Let me not be asham'd, () Lord, for on thee call'd I have:

Let wicked men be sham'd, let them be silent in the grave.

18 To silence put the lying lips
that grievous things do say,
And hard reports, in pride and scorn,

on right'ous men do lay.

19 How great's the goodness thou for them that fear thee keep'st in store,

And wrought'st for them that trust in thee the sons of men before!

20 In secret of thy presence thou shalt hide them from man's pride:

From strife of tongues thou closely shalt, as in a tent them hide.

All praise and thanks be to the Lord; for he hath magnify'd

His wond'rous love to me within a city fortify'd.

I in my haste had said;
My voice yet heard'st thou, when to thee

My voice yet heard at thou, when to thee with cries my moan I made.

23 O love the Lord, all ye his saints:

because the Lord doth guard

The faithful, and he plent ously

proud doers doth reward.

24 Be of good courage, and he strength unto your heart shall send, All ye whose hope and confidence doth on the Lord depend.

## PSALM XXXII.

Perhaps this Psalm was composed for the great day of he national atonement on the tenth day of the seventh nonth, Lev. xvi. In it, observe (1.) The exceeding iches of the grace of God manifested in blessing men with forgiveness of sin, and with protection amidst dangers, and direction in duty, ver. 1, 2, 7, 8. (2.) The indispensable duty of them who desire new-covenant blessings,—viz. to acknowledge their offences to God;—to implore his favours, which they need; to walk humbly and circumspectly before him, and to rejoice in him as God and heir God, ver. 3—6, 9—11.——¶ While I am truly conscious of my sinfulness, and deeply affected therewith, et the faith and experience of Jesus' full pardon of my

sins, and of the communications of his grace, melt my heart, and animate me to every commanded duty.

# A Psalm of David, Maschil.

1 O BLESSED is the man, to whom
is freely pardoned
All the transgression he hath done,

whose sin is covered.

2 Bless'd is the man to whom the Lord imputeth not his sin,

And in whose sn'rit there is no quile.

And in whose sp'rit there is no guile, nor fraud is found therein.

3 When as I did refrain my speech, and silent was my tongue, My bones then waxed old, because

I roared all day long.

4 For upon me both day and night, thine hand did heavy lie,

So that my moisture turned is in summer's drought thereby.

5 I thereupon have unto thee my sin acknowledged,

And likewise mine iniquity
I have not covered:

I will confess unto the Lord my trespasses, said I:

And of my sin thou freely didst forgive th' iniquity.

6 For this shall ev'ry godly one his prayer make to thee, In such a time he shall thee seek, as found thou mayest be. Surely, when floods of waters great

do swell up to the brim,

They shall not overwhelm his soul, nor once come near to him.

7 Thou art my hiding-place, thou shalt from trouble keep me free:
Thou, with songs of deliverance

about shalt compass me.

8 I will instruct thee, and thee teach the way that thou shalt go: And, with mine eye upon thee set,

I will direction show.

9 Then be not like the horse or mule, which do not understand; Whose mouth, lest they come near to thee, a bridle must command.

10 Unto the man that wicked is his sorrows shall abound; But him that trusteth in the Lord mercy shall compass round.

11 Ye righteous in the Lord be glad, in him do ye rejoice:
All ye that upright are in heart,

for joy lift up your voice.

#### PSALM XXXIII.

This Psalm contains a summons to praise the Lord, (1.) For his justice, goodness, and truth, manifested in his word and works, ver. 1—5. (2.) For his power manifest-

ed in the work of creation, and in his sovereign dominion over the world, ver. 6—11, 13—17. (3.) For his special and new-covenant relations, and merciful kindness towards his chosen people, ver. 12, 18—22.——¶ While I sing, let me observe, let me admire, and be deeply affected with, the blessings of Creation, Providence, and Redemption. And, chiefly, let me remember, let me behold, let me glow with ardent desire after him whose bones the Lord so kept, that not one of them was broken.

1 YE righteous, in the Lord rejoice:
it comely is, and right,
That upright men, with thankful voice,
should praise the Lord of might.

2 Praise God with harp: and unto him sing with the psaltery,
Upon a ten-string'd instrument make ye sweet melody.

3 A new song to him sing, and play with loud noise skilfully.

4 For right is God's word, all his works

are done in verity,

5 To judgment and to righteousness a love he beareth still: The loving-kindness of the Lord

The loving-kindness of the Lord the earth throughout doth fill.

6 The heavens by the word of God did their beginning take;
And by the breathing of his mouth he all their hosts did make.

7 The waters of the seas he brings together as an heap:

And in storehouses, as it were, he layeth up the deep.

8 Let earth, and all that live therein, with rev'rence fear the Lord:

Let all the world's inhabitants dread him with one accord.

9 For he did speak the word, and done it was without delay;
Established it firmly stood,

whatever he did say.

10 God doth the counsel bring to nought which heathen folk do take:

And what the people do devise of none effect doth make.

O! but the counsel of the Lord doth stand for ever sure;And of his heart the purposes from age to age endure.

12 That nation blessed is, whose God JEHOVAH is: and those

A blessed people are, whom for his heritage he chose.

13 The Lord from heaven sees and beholds all sons of men full well.

14 He views all from his dwelling-place that in the earth do dwell.

15 He forms their hearts alike; and all their doings he observes.

16 Great hosts save not a king, much strength no mighty man preserves.

- 17 An horse for preservation
  is a deceitful thing;
  And by the greatness of his strength
  can no deliv'rance bring.
- 18 Behold, on those that do him fear the Lord doth set his eye: Ev'n those who on his mercy do with confidence rely.

19 From death to free their soul, in dearth life unto them to yield.

- 20 Our soul doth wait upon the Lord; he is our help and shield.
- 21 Sith in his holy name we trust, our heart shall joyful be.
- 22 Lord, let thy mercy be on us, as we do hope in thee.

## PSALM XXXIV.

This Psalm was composed by David when Achish or Abimelech, king of Gath, drove him from his court, as an idiot or madman, 1 Sam. xxi. 10—25. Here are (1.) David's high praises to God, for the favours himself and others had received, ver. 1—6. (2.) His warm invitations and strong encouragements to others, to seek after and fear the Lord, and to trust in him for all necessary supplies in time or in eternity, ver. 7—10. (3.) Familiar advices to children and others, to eschew every thing sinful, and make conscience of known duty, both towards God and men, as a means of present and future happiness, ver. 11—14. (4.) A representation of the misery of the wicked, in having God against them, as an avenging enemy; and in having ruin before them, as the just reward of their sins—and of the happiness of the godly, in having

God near to them in every case; ready to hear their requests, and to protect them amidst dangers, and to deliver them from enemies and trouble, ver. 15—22.——¶ While I sing, let my heart be warmed with my subject. Come, my soul, and walk in this light, in these joys of the Lord. Come taste and see that he is good. Extol his kindness, and trust him in all things, and on every occasion.

- A Psalm of David, when he changed his behaviour before Abimelech, who drove him away, and he departed.
- 1 God will I bless all times: his praise my mouth shall still express.
- 2 My soul shall boast in God: the meek shall hear with joyfulness.
- 3 Extol the Lord with me, let us exalt his name together.
- 4 I sought the Lord, he heard, and did me from all fears deliver.
- 5 They looked on him, and lighten'd were, not shamed were their faces.
- 6 This poor man cry'd, God heard, and sav'd him from all his distresses.
- 7 The angel of the Lord encamps, and round encompasseth
  - All those about that do him fear, and them delivereth.
- 8 O taste and see that God is good: who trusts in him is bless'd.
- 9 Fear God, his saints: none that him fear shall be with want oppress'd.

10 The lions young may hungry be,and they may lack their food:But they that truly seek the Lord shall not lack any good.

11 O children, hither do ye come, and unto me give ear; I shall you teach to understand how ye the Lord should fear.

12 What man is he that life desires, to see good would live long?

13 Thy lips refrain from speaking guile, and from ill words thy tongue.

14 Depart from ill, do good, seek peace, pursue it earnestly.

15 God's eyes are on the just: his ears

are open to their cry.

16 The face of God is set against those that do wickedly,

That he may quite out from the earth ut off their memory.

17 The right'ous cry unto the Lord, he unto them gives ear: And they out of their troubles all by him deliver'd are.

18 The Lord is ever nigh to them
that be of broken sp'rit:
To them he safety doth afford
that are in heart contrite.

19 The troubles that afflict the just in number many be;

But yet at length out of them all the Lord doth set him free.

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20 He carefully his bones doth keep,
whatever can befall:

That not so much as one of them can broken be at all.

21 Ill shall the wicked slay; laid waste shall be who hate the just.

22 The Lord redeems his servants' souls; none perish that him trust.

## PSALM XXXV.

In this Psalm, (1.) David complains of the cruelty of his enemies, in striving with him, -in persecuting him, in seeking his ruin, -and in reproaching, contemning, deriding, and triumphing over him, ver. 1, 3, 4, 7, 11, 15, 16, 20, 21, 25, 26. (2.) He pleads his own innocency, that he had never given them any provocation; but amidst their abuse of him, had earnestly and affectionately studied to promote their welfare, ver. 7, 9, 12-14. (3.) He supplicates, that God would espouse his cause; protect, deliver, and comfort his soul; defeat the designs, and disappoint the expectations of his enemies; -and that he would countenance and encourage his friends, ver. 1, 2, 4, 17, 22-27. (4.) He predicts the destruction of his enemies, and the abounding of his own comfort; and, in the views hereof, resolves to thank and praise the Lord, ver. 4-10, 18, 28 -- While I sing, let me, with grief and shame, call to mind the infernal opposition, I and others have made to our all-compassionate Redeemer. Let me beware of exposing myself to that vengeance, which is laid up in store for his incorrigible enemies. Let me never avenge myself on my injurious neighbours. amidst all attacks from hell or earth, or from my own corrupt heart, let me commit all my concerns to him, who judgeth righteously, that he may bring them to pass.

## A Psalm of David.

1 PLEAD, Lord, with those that plead, and with those that fight with me. [fight 2 Of shield and buckler take thou hold.

stand up mine help to be.

3 Draw also out the spear, and do against them stop the way
That me pursue: unto my soul,
I'm thy salvation, say.

4 Let them confounded be and sham'd that for my soul have sought:
Who plot my hurt, turn'd back be they, and to confusion brought.

5 Let them be like unto the chaff that flies before the wind: And let the angel of the Lord

pursue them hard behind.

6 With darkness cover thou their way, and let it slipp'ry prove, And let the angel of the Lord pursue them from above.

7 For without cause have they for me their net hid in a pit,
They also have without a cause for my soul digged it.

8 Let ruin seize him unawares, his net he hid withal Himself let catch; and in the same destruction let him fall. 9 My soul in God shall joy, and glad in his salvation be:

10 And all my bones shall say, O Lord, who is like unto thee,

Which dost the poor set free from him that is for him too strong;

The poor and needy from the man that spoils and does him wrong?

11 False witnesses rose, to my charge things I not knew, they laid.

12 They, to the spoiling of my soul, me ill for good repaid.

13 But as for me, when they were sick, in sackcloth sad I mourn'd: My humbled soul did fast, my pray'r into my bosom turn'd.

14 Myself I did behave, as he had been my friend or brother; I heavily bow'd down, as one that mourneth for his mother.

15 But in my trouble they rejoic'd, gath'ring themselves together: Yea, abjects vile together did themselves against me gather. I knew it not, they did me tear,

and quiet would not be.

16 With mocking hypocrites, at feasts

they gnash'd their teeth at me.

17 How long, Lord, look'st thou on? from destructions they intend [those

Rescue my soul, from lions young my darling do defend.

18 I will give thanks to thee, O Lord, within the assembly great:

And where much people gather'd are thy praises forth will set.

19 Let not my wrongful enemies proudly rejoice o'er me:Nor who me hate without a cause, let them wink with the eye.

20 For peace they do not speak at all; but crafty plots prepare Against all those within the land that meek and quiet are.

21 With mouths set wide, they 'gainst me Ha, ha! our eye doth see. [said,

22 Lord, thou hast seen, hold not thy peace;

Lord, be not far from me.
23 Stir up thyself; wake that thou may'st

judgment to me afford, Ev'n to my cause, O thou that art my only God and Lord.

24 O Lord my God, do thou me judge after thy right'ousness; And let them not their joy 'gainst me triumphantly express.

25 Nor let them say within their hearts, Ah, we would have it thus: Nor suffer them to say, that he is swallowed up by us.

- 26 Sham'd and confounded be they all that at my hurt are glad:

  Let those against me that do boast, with shame and scorn be clad.
- 27 Let them that love my righteous cause be glad, shout, and not cease To say, The Lord be magnify'd, who loves his servant's peace.
- 28 Thy righteousness shall also be declared by my tongue;
  The praises that belong to thee speak shall it all day long.

#### PSALM XXXVI.

Observe here, (1.) How great is the wickedness of men! They naturally contemn God; flatter themselves in sin, and abandon themselves to falsehood and mischief, ver. 1—4. (2.) How great is the excellency of God, in truth, in righteousness, and in mercy. And what a fountain of preservation, support, comfort, light, and life he is to his people, ver. 5—9. (3.) How, from the excellency and goodness of God, the Psalmist draws encouragement to pray for himself and other saints, and to triumph in the view of his enemies' ruin, ver. 10—12.——¶ While I sing, let me review my natural abominations and wretchedness, and try whether the Lord hath made me a new creature, created in Christ Jesus unto good works; and whether he hath made me taste of, admire, and trust in the exceeding riches of his grace.

To the chief Musician, a Psalm of David, the servant of the Lord.

1 THE wicked man's transgression within my heart thus says,

Undoubtedly the fear of God is not before his eyes.

Because himself he flattereth, in his own blinded eye,
Until the hatefulness be found of his iniquity.

3 Words from his mouth proceeding are, fraud and iniquity:
He to be wise, and to do good, hath left off utterly.

4 He mischief, lying on his bed, most cunningly doth plot, He sets himself in ways not good, ill he abhorreth not.

5 Thy mercy, Lord, is in the heavins; thy truth doth reach the clouds:

6 Thy justice is like mountains great; thy judgments deep as floods: Lord, thou preservest man and beast.

How precious is thy grace!
Therefore in shadow of thy wings
men's sons their trust shall place.

8 They with the fatness of thy house shall be well satisfy'd:
From rivers of thy pleasures thou wilt drink to them provide.

9 Because of life the fountain pure remains alone with thee; And in that purest light of thine we clearly light shall see. 10 Thy loving-kindness unto them continue that thee know; And still on men upright in heart thy righteousness bestow.

11 Let not the foot of cruel pride come, and against me stand;
And let me not removed be,
Lord, by the wicked's hand.

12 There fall'n are they, and ruined, that work iniquities: Cast down they are, and never shall be able to arise.

### PSALM XXXVII.

This Psalm is wholly of the instructive kind. As the Mosaic system, and the covenant between God and Israel, as his peculiar people, promised remarkable temporal felicity to such as were obedient to the law, and denounced temporal miseries against those that were impious and profane; the Psalmist here cautions against stumbling at particular providences, which might appear contrary to the tenor of that covenant. Here are, (1.) Plain and express warnings against fretfulness at the prosperity of the wicked, in their wickedness, ver. 1, 7, 8, with the arguments and reasons enforcing the same, viz. that the character of the wicked is ignominious, while that of the righteous is honourable, ver. 12, 14, 21, 26, 30, 31, 32. That the wicked in the very height of their prosperity are near to destruction, while the righteous, even in their adversity, have special protection from God, and shall never be ruined, ver. 2, 9, 10, 13, 15, 17, 20, 28, 33-40. And that God hath special blessings in store for, and even in this life, manifests distinguished kindness to the righteous and their seed, ver. 11, 16, 18, 19, 22-25, 28, 29, 37, (2.) Here are proper and effectual remedies to prevent sinful fretting at the prosperity of the wicked, or troubles of the godly: viz., Hoping in God as our Saviour, delighting in God, as our companion, friend and portion; following of him as our Guide, departing from evil and doing good, waiting on the Lord and keeping his way, ver. 3—6, 27, 34.——¶ Be thou, my soul, an accurate observer of the matter and circumstances of every providence. Carefully compare them one with another; and all with the perfections, covenant, and promises of God, in order that thou mayest never be offended thereat.

## A Psalm of David.

1 For evil doers fret thou not thyself unquietly; Nor do thou envy bear to those

that work iniquity.
2 For, even like unto the grass,

soon be cut down shall they;
And, like the green and tender herb,
they wither shall away.

3 Set thou thy trust upon the Lord, and be thou doing good; And so thou in the land shalt dwell, and verily have food.

4 Delight thyself in God; he'll give thine heart's desire to thee.

5 Thy way to God commit, him trust, it bring to pass shall he.

6 And, like unto the light, he shall thy righteousness display; And he thy judgment shall bring forth like noon-tide of the day.

- 7 Rest in the Lord, and patiently wait for him: do not fret
  For him who, prosp'ring in his way, success in sin doth get.
- 8 Do thou from anger cease, and wrath see thou forsake also:

Fret not thyself in any wise, that evil thou shouldst do.

9 For those that evil doers are shall be cut off and fall:

But these that wait upon the Lord the earth inherit shall.

- 10 For yet a little while, and then the wicked shall not be: His place thou shalt consider well, but it thou shalt not see.
- 11 But by inheritance the earth
  the meek ones shall possess:
  They also shall delight themselves
  in an abundant peace.
- 12 The wicked plots against the just, and at him whets his teeth:

13 The Lord shall laugh at him, because his day he coming seeth.

14 The wicked have drawn out the sword, and bent their bow, to slay

The poor and needy, and to kill men of an upright way.

15 But their own sword, which they have shall enter their own heart: [drawn,

Their bows which they have bent shall and into pieces part. (break,

16 A little that a just man hath is more and better far Than is the wealth of many such as lewd and wicked are.

17 For sinners' arms shall broken be; but God the just sustains.

18 God knows the just man's days, and still

their heritage remains.

19 They shall not be asham'd when they the evil time do see;
And when the days of famine are

they satisfy'd shall be.

20 But wicked men, and foes of God, as fat of lambs, decay; They shall consume, yea, into smoke they shall consume away.

21 The wicked borrows, but the same again he doth not pay: Whereas the righteous mercy shews,

and gives his own away.

22 For such as blessed be of him the earth inherit shall;

And they that cursed are of him shall be destroyed all.

23 A good man's footsteps by the Lord are ordered aright:

And in the way wherein he walks he greatly doth delight.

24 Although he fall, yet shall he not be cast down utterly; Because the Lord with his own hand

Because the Lord with his own hand

upholds him mightily.

25 I have been young, and now am old, yet have I never seen
The just man left, nor that his seed for bread have beggars been.

26 He's ever merciful, and lends: his seed is bless'd therefore.

27 Depart from evil, and do good, and dwell for evermore.

28 For God loves judgment, and his saints
leaves not in any case;
They are kept ever: but cut off
shall be the sinner's race.

29 The just inherit shall the land, and ever in it dwell:

30 The just man's mouth doth wisdom speak; his tongue doth judgment tell.

31 In's heart the law is of his God, his steps slide not away.

32 The wicked man doth watch the just and seeketh him to slay.

33 Yet him the Lord will not forsake, nor leave him in his hands: The righteous will he not condemn, when he in judgment stands.

34 Wait on the Lord, and keep his way, and thee exalt shall he

Th' earth to macrit; when cut off the wicked thou shalt see.

35 I saw the wicked great in pow'r, spread like a green bay-tree:

36 He pass'd, yea, was not, him I sought, but found he could not be.

 37 Mark thou the perfect, and behold the man of uprightness;
 Because that surely of this man the latter end is peace.

38 But those men that transgressors are shall be destroyed together;
The latter end of wicked men shall be cut off for ever.

39 But the salvation of the just is from the Lord above;
He in the time of their distress their stay and strength doth prove.

40 The Lord shall help, and them deliver:
he shall them free and save
From wicked men; because in him
their confidence they have.

## PSALM XXXVIII.

This Psalm seems to have been penned by David under some remarkable distress, attended with a deep sense of sin as the procuring cause of it. Here are, (1.) David's sorrowful complaints of God's sore displeasure, and of the weight of his own sins, ver. 1—5; of the sickness of his body, and distress of his mind, ver. 6—10; of the unkindness of his friends, ver. 11; and of the unprovoked

injuries he received from his enemies, who were spiteful, cruel, subtile, unjust, ungrateful, impious, devilish, numerous, and powerful, ver. 12—20. (2.) His remarkable patience and resignation under his troubles, ver. 13—15 (3.) His fervent supplications, to God for the mitigation of his troubles, ver. 1; and for comfort and support under, and speedy deliverance from them, ver. 16, 21, 22; attended with candid and ingenuous acknowledgments of the sinful causes thereof, ver. 3, 4, 5, 18.—¶ In all my troubles let me search out, and, by faith, confess and mourn over the sinful causes of them. Let me take every distress out of God's hand, and call on him in time thereof, that he may deliver me.

# A Psalm of David to bring to remembrance.

In thy great indignation,
 O Lord rebuke me not:
 Nor on me lay thy chast'ning hand,
 in thy displeasure hot.

2 For in me fast thine arrows stick, thine hand doth press me sore:

3 And in my flesh there is no health, nor soundness any more.

This grief I have, because thy wrath is forth against me gone;

And in my bones there is no rest, for sin that I have done.

4 Because gone up above mine head my great transgressions be; And, as a weighty burden, they too heavy are for me.

5 My wounds do stink, and are corrupt; my folly makes it so. 6 I troubled am, and much bow'd down; all day I mourning go.

7 For a disease that loathsome is so fills my loins with pain, That in my weak and weary flesh no soundness doth remain.

8 So feeble and infirm am I, and broken am so sore, That, through disquiet of my heart, I have been made to roar.

9 O Lord, all that I do desire is still before thine eye; And of my heart the secret groans not hidden are from thee.

10 My heart doth pant incessantly, my strength doth quite decay; As for mine eyes, their wonted light is from me gone away.

11 My lovers and my friends do stand at distance from my sore; And those do stand aloof that were

kinsmen and kind before.

12 Yea, they that seek my life lay snares: who seek to do me wrong Speak things mischievous, and deceits imagine all day long.

13 But, as one deaf, that heareth not, I suffered all to pass; I as a dumb man did become,

whose mouth not open'd was:

14 As one that hears not, in whose mouth are no reproofs at all.

15 For, Lord, I hope in thee; my God, thou'lt hear me when I call.

16 For I said, Hear me, lest they should rejoice o'er me with pride; And o'er me magnify themselves, when as my foot doth slide.

17 For I am near to halt, my grief is still before mine eye:

18 For I'll declare my sin, and grieve

for mine iniquity.

- 19 But yet mine en'mies lively are, and strong are they beside; And they that hate me wrongfully are greatly multiply'd.
- 20 And they for good that render ill,
  as en'mies me withstood;
  Yea, ev'n for this, because that I
  do follow what is good.

21 Forsake me not, O Lord; my God, far from me never be.

22 O Lord thou my salvation art, haste to give help to me.

### PSALM XXXIX.

Here we have (1.) Violent struggling in the Psalmist's own breast between grace and corruption, between passion and patience, ver. 1—3, 11. (2.) Serious views of human frailty, shortness of life, and self-emptiness, ver. 4—6. (3.) Strong cries to God for pardon of sin, preserva-

tion from reproach, and for removal of trouble, for hearing and answering of prayer, and for lengthening out of life till further preparation for death should be attained, ver. 7—13.——¶ While I sing, let my soul blush deep for the untenderness and want of circumspection in my life, and for my want of resignation to God's disposing will. Let me be suitably affected with the shormess, vanity, and uncertainty of my temporal life. Let me be always exercised in earnest prayer to, and believing dependence on God, as my companion and friend.

# To the chief Musician, even to Jeduthun, a Psalm of David.

1 I said, I will look to my ways, lest with my tongue I sin: In sight of wicked men my mouth with bridle I'll keep in.

2 With silence I as dumb became,
I did myself restrain
From speaking good; but then the more

increased was my pain.

3 My heart within me waxed hot; and, while I musing was, The fire did burn; and from my tongue these words I did let pass:

4 Mine end, and measure of my days,
O Lord, unto me show

What is the same; that I thereby my frailty well may know.

5 Lo, thou my days an handbreadth mad'st; mine age is in thine eye
As nothing: sure each man at best is wholly vanity.

6 Sure each man walks in a vain show; they vex themselves in vain:

He heaps up wealth, and doth not know to whom it shall pertain.

7 And now, O Lord, what wait I for?
my hope is fixed on thee.

8 Free me from all my trespasses, the fool's scorn make not me.

9 Dumb was I, op'ning not my mouth, because this work was thine.

10 Thy stroke take from me; by the blow of thine hand I do pine.

11 When with rebukes thou dost correct man for iniquity,

Thou wastes his beauty like a moth: sure each man's vanity.

12 Attend my cry, Lord, at my tears and pray'rs not silent be:

I sojourn as my fathers all, and stranger am with thee.

13 O spare thou me, that I my strength recover may again,

Before from hence I do depart, and here no more remain.

### PSALM XL.

Here we have (1.) David's hearty acknowledgments of God's kindness in bringing him out of long and sore affictions, ver. 1—5. (2.) His preferring of holy obedience to God, and faithful publication of his truths and praises to all ceremonial oblations, ver. 6—11. (3.) His improvement of his former deliverance, as an encourage-

ment to supplicate further mercy and protection; an encouragement to confess sin and implore the pardon thereof; an encouragement to rejoice in, and praise God for his excellencies and favours; and to trust him under affliction, and to comfort himself in him amidst poverty, and sinfulness, and trouble, ver. 12-17 .- T But let me here chiefly think (1.) Of Jesus the great Shepherd of the sheep, who was brought again from his agonies and death, by the blood of the everlasting Covenant, and set down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, that he might receive gifts for men, and that our faith and hope might be in God, ver. 1-5. (2.) Let me think of the New-Covenant made between him and his eternal Father for the redemption of sinful men: and of his complete fulfilment of the divine law as the condition thereof, ver. 6,-10. (3.) Let me think how our iniquities were charged to his account, and punished on him as our surety, ver. 11-13. (4.) Let me think how the unrelenting vengeance of Almighty God overtook his Jewish betrayers and murderers, and hath or will overtake his Heathenish, Antichristian, or other implacable enemies; and of the joy and consolation which flows from, and through him, to his chosen friends, ver. 14-17.

To the chief Musician, a Psalm of David.

1 I WAITED for the Lord my God, and patiently did bear; At length to me he did incline my voice and cry to hear.

2 He took me from a fearful pit, and from the miry clay, And on a rock he set my feet, establishing my way.

3 He put a new song in my mouth, our God to magnify: Many shall see it, and shall fear, and on the Lord rely.

- 4 O blessed is the man whose trust upon the Lord relies: Respecting not the proud, nor such as turn aside to lies.
- 5 O Lord my God, full many are
  the wonders thou hast done;
  Thy gracious thoughts to us-ward far
  above all thoughts are gone:
  In order none can realize them

In order none can reckon them to thee: if them declare,

And speak of them I would, they more than can be numbered are.

6 No sacrifice nor offering didst thou at all desire: Mine ears thou bor'd, sin off'ring thou and burnt didst not require:

7 Then to the Lord these were my words,
I come, behold and see:
Within the volume of the beat

Within the volume of the book it written is of me;

8 To do thy will I take delight,
O thou my God that art;
Yea, that most holy law of thine
I have within my heart.

Within the congregation great
I rightéousness did preach:
Lo, thou dost know, O Lord, that I

refrained not my speech.

10 I never did within my heart

I thy salvation have declar'd and shown thy faithfulness;

Thy kindness, which most loving is, concealed have not I,

Nor from the congregation great have hid thy verity.

11 Thy tender mercies, Lord, from me O do thou not restrain; Thy loving-kindness, and thy truth

let them me still maintain.

12 For ills past reck'ning compass me, and mine iniquities Such hold upon me taken have,

I cannot lift mine eyes:

They more than hairs are on mine head, thence is my heart dismayed.

13 Be pleas'd, Lord, to rescue me; Lord hasten to mine aid.

14 Sham'd and confounded be they all that seek my soul to kill;
Yea, let them backward driven be, and sham'd that wish me ill.

15 For a reward of this their shame confounded let them be, That in this manner scoffing say, Aha, aha! to me.

16 In thee let all be glad and joy, who seeking thee abide;
Who thy salvation love, say still,
The Lord be magnify'd.

17 I'm poor and needy, yet the Lord of me a care doth take: Thou art my help and saviour, my God no tarrying make.

#### PSALM XLI.

This Psalm contains (1.) A representation of the blessedness of him who wisely considereth the case of the poor and affords them relief, ver. 1-3. (2.) David's candid acknowledgments of the justness of his afflictions, and earnest supplications for a merciful deliverance, ver. 4. (3.) His sad complaints of the malicious, censorious, and spiteful reflections, and of the insolent carriage of his enemies, ver. 5-9. (4.) His hearty committing of his case and way to God, in the assured and triumphant faith of his favour, ver. 10-13.- While I sing, let my eyes be towards the Lord Jesus, who thought upon me in my low estate. Let me consider him, who though he was rich, yet for our sakes became poor, that we, through his poverty, might be made rich. - Jesus, who had not where to lay his head-Jesus, whom his own disciple betrayed, and who, through manifold enemies and much tribulation, entered into the kingdom of God.

## To the Chief Musician, a Psalm of David.

- 1 Blessed is he that wisely doth the poor man's case consider; For when the time of trouble is, the Lord will him deliver.
- 2 God will him keep, yea, save alive; on earth he bless'd shall live; And to his enemies' desire thou wilt him not up give.
- 3 God will give strength when he on bed of languishing doth mourn;

And in his sickness sore, O Lord. thou all his bed wilt turn.

4 I said, O Lord, do thou extend thy mercy unto me;

O do thou heal my soul; for why? I have offended thee.

5 Those that to me are enemies, of me do evil say,

When shall he die, that so his name may perish quite away?

6 To see me if he comes, he speaks vain words: but then his heart Heaps mischief to it, which he tells, when forth he doth depart.

7 My haters jointly whispering, gainst me my hurt devise.

8 Mischief, say they, cleaves fast to him: he li'th, and shall not rise.

9. Yea, ev'n mine own familiar friend, on whom I did rely,

Who ate my bread, ev'n he his heel against me lifted high.

10 But, Lord, be merciful to me, and up again me raise, That I may justly them requite according to their ways.

By this I know that certainly I favour'd am by thee; Because my hateful enemy triumphs not over me.

12 But as for me, thou me uphold'st in mine integrity;
And me before thy countenance thou sett'st continually.
13 The Lord, the God of Israel,

be bless'd for ever then, From age to age eternally. Amen, yea, and amen.

### PSALM XLII.

Perhaps this Psalm was composed by David when the unnatural rebellion of Absalom had forced him from the sanctuary of God, and to take up his lodging eastward of Jordan, 2 Sam. xv-xix. We have in it, (1.) Ardent longings after nearness to, and familiar intimacy with God, in his public ordinances and sanctuary, ver. 1, 2. (2.) Mournful lamentations, and bitter groanings on account of God's withdrawment of his comfortable smiles; and of the once enjoyed ordinances of God, and fellowship with his saints; and of the troublesome impressions of God's wrath; and of his enemies insolent upbraiding of him; and on account of the departure and distance of his God, ver. 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10. (3.) Believing remembrance of God's former favours, ver. 6; and self-encouraging hopes of future ones, ver. 5, 8, 11 - ¶ Have I experimentally understood all these things? My soul, let me charge thee to beware of dissimulation with God, and of compassing him about with lies, under pretence of praising him. Dare not to sing these lines without inward, without ardent longings for the Lord; without earnest claiming of him as thy own God, upon the foundation of his new-covenant grant of himself to me, in the gospel; without assured hopes of his future, his everlasting kindness to me-ward.

To the chief Musician, Maschil, for the sons of Korah,

1 Like as the hart for water-brooks in thirst doth pant and bray; So pants my longing soul, O God, that come to thee I may.

2 My soul for God, the living God, doth thirst: when shall I near

Unto thy countenance approach and in God's sight appear?

3 My tears have unto me been meat, both in the night and day,
While unto me continually,
Whom is the God? they say

Where is thy God? they say.

4 My soul is poured out in me,
when this I think upon;

Because that with the multitude I heretofore had gone:

With them into God's house I went with voice of joy and praise; Yea, with the multitude that kept

the solemn holy days.

5 O why art thou cast down, my soul?
why in me so dismay'd?

Trust God, for I shall praise him yet, his countenance is mine aid.

6 My God, my soul's cast down in me; thee therefore mind I will From Jordan's land, the Hermonites, and ev'n from Mizar hill. 7 At the noise of thy water-spouts deep unto deep doth call; Thy breaking waves pass over me, yea, and thy billows all.

8 His loving-kindness yet the Lord command will in the day,
His song's with me by night; to God by whom I live I'll pray:

9 And I will say to God my rock, Why me forgett'st thou so? Why for my foes' oppression, thus mourning do I go?

10 'Tis as a sword within my bones,
when my foes me upbraid;
Ev'n when by them, Where is thy God?
'tis daily to me said.

11 O why art thou cast down my soul?
why, thus with grief opprest,
Art thou disquieted in me?
in God still hope and rest:

For yet I know I shall him praise, who graciously to me The health is of my countenance,

The health is of my countenance yea, mine own God is he.

### PSALM XLIII.

This Psalm was probably composed on the same occasion as the former, and contains (1.) David's strong cries to God for help against, and deliverance from, his ungodly, unjust, and crafty oppressors, ver. 1, 2. (2.) His earnest longings to be restored to the enjoyment of his God in his public

ordinances, ver. 3, 4. (3.) His inward disquiets composed by believing claims of his God, and firm dependence on his promises, ver. 5.——¶ While I sing, let my soul be deeply affected with the injuries I daily receive from Satan and my own lusts. Let my heart and flesh cry out for God, the living God, as my God, and mine exceeding joy. And let me still all the tumults of my heart with this, That he is my God and my All; My GOD, That doth me save.

 JUDGE me, O God, and plead my cause against the ungodly nation;
 From the unjust and crafty man, O be thou my salvation.

2 For thou the God art of my strength; why thrusts thou me thee fro'? For th' enemy's oppression

or th' enemy's oppression why do I mourning go?

3 O send thy light forth and thy truth; let them be guides to me,
And bring me to thine holy hill,
ev'n where thy dwellings be.

4 Then will I to God's altar go,
to God my chiefest joy:
Vez. God my God thy name to pro

Yea, God, my God, thy name to praise my harp I will employ.

5 Why art thou then cast down, my soul, what should discourage thee?

And why with vexing thoughts art thou disquieted in me?

Still trust in God; for him to praise good cause I yet shall have:

He of my count nance is the health, my God that doth me save.

#### PSALM XLIV.

This Psalm was perhaps composed on the same occasion as the 60th, and may have a prophetic view to the after distresses of the Jews in the time of Rehoboam, 1 Chron. xii.; of Jehoram, 2 Chron. xxi.; of Ahas, 2 Chron. xxviii.; of Hezekiah, 2 Kings, xviii, xix.; and during the Chaldean captivity, Syrogrecian oppression, &c. and all these as typical of the distresses of the Gospel church under Heathens and Antichristians. It relates chiefly to the church, and contains (1.) Thankful acknowledgements of what the Lord had done for her in former periods; as her God, her King, her joy, her praise, ver. 1-8. (2.) Sorrowful complaints of divine desertion, and of the prevalent power, cruelty, and derisive contempt of enemies. ver. 9-16. (3.) Solemn protestation of continued integrity, and of constant adherence to the Lord's way, amidst these manifold calamities, ver. 17-22. (4.) Strong cries with supplications and tears to God, for his merciful appearance for, and granting her relief, ver. 23-26. --In singing this, let me rejoice with them that rejoice, and weep with them that weep. Let me rejoice in what the Lord hath wrought for his people in any former period: And in all their afflictions, let me be afflicted. Let me give the Lord no rest, till he make the church a joy in the whole earth.

### To the chief Musician, for the sons of Korah, Maschil.

1 O God, we with our ears have heard, our fathers have us told, What works thou in their days hadst done, ev'n in the days of old.

Thy hand did drive the heathen out, and plant them in their place;

Thou didst afflict the nations, but them thou didst increase.

3 For neither got their sword the land, nor did their arm them save; But thy right hand, arm, countenance; for thou them favour gave.

4 Thou art my King: for Jacob, Lord,

deliv'rances command.

5 Through thee we shall push down our foes that do against us stand:

We, through thy name, shall tread down that ris'n against us have. [those

6 For in my bow I shall not trust, nor shall my sword me save.

7 But from our foes thou hast us sav'd, our haters put to shame.

8 In God we all the day do boast, and ever praise thy name.

9 But now we are cast off by thee, and us thou putt'st to shame; And when our armies do go forth, thou go'st not with the same.

10 Thou mak'st us from the enemy, faint-hearted to turn back; And they who hate us for themselves our spoils away do take.

1.1 Like sheep for meat thou gavest us; 'mong heathen cast we be.

12 Thou didst for nought thy people sell; their price enrich'd not thee.

- 13 Thou mak'st us a reproach to be unto our neighbours near;
  Derision and a scorn to them that round about us are.
- 14 A by-word also thou dost us among the heathen make; The people in contempt and spite, at us their heads do shake.
- 15 Before me my confusion continually abides; And of my bashful countenance the shame me ever hides.
- 16 For voice of him that doth reproach, and speaketh blasphemy; By reason of th' avenging foe, and cruel enemy.
- 17 All this is come on us, yet we have not forgotten thee;
  Nor falsely in thy covenant behav'd ourselves have we.
- 18 Back from thy way, our heart not turn'd, our steps no straying made;
- 19 Though us thou brak'st in dragons' place, and cover'dst with death's shade.
- 20 If we God's name forgot, or stretch'd to a strange god our hands,
- 21 Shall not God search this out? for he heart's secrets understands.
- 22 Yea, for thy sake we're kill'd all day, counted as slaughter-sheep.

23 Rise, Lord, cast us not ever off: awake, why dost thou sleep?

24 O wherefore hidest thou thy face? forgett'st our cause distressed,

25 And our oppression? For our soul is to the dust down pressed:

Our belly also on the earth fast cleaving, hold doth take.

26 Rise for our help, and us redeem, ev'n for thy mercies' sake.

## PSALM XLV.

In this Song of Loves, are celebrated (1) The glories of Jesus our Redeemer, -particularly the transcendent comeliness, and blessedness of his person, God-man: His almighty power in conquering his people, and destroying his enemies; the eternity, firmness, and equity of his government ;-his royal unction with the Holy Ghost above measure, and his fitness for his work; and the splendour of his court, ver. 1-9. (2.) The glories of the redeemed,-their listening to Jesus' proposals of marriage union with himself; their renunciation of all others for his sake; their reverential submission to, and worship of him, ver. 10, 11,-their glorious ornaments of righteousness and grace; and their glorious entrance into the new covenant, and the eternal state, ver. 12-15,-their glorious succession and work for perpetuating the fame of the Redeemer, ver. 16-17 .- In singing this song of the Lamb, let me, with open face, behold his glory, and be changed into the same image from glory to glory, as by the Spirit of the Lord. Let my admiration of his excellency swell to the brim, and my love burn with a most vehement flame, and let my hopes of being for ever with him, be strong and lively. Let my heart be all wonder at his excellency, fumess, and grace, and all subjection to his government and laws, and my lips filled with his praise and honour all the day

To the chief Musician, upon Shoshannim, for the sons of Korah, Maschil, a Song of Loves.

1 My heart brings forth a goodly thing; my words that I indite

Concern the King: my tongue's a pen of one that swift doth write.

2 Thou fairer art than sons of men: into thy lips is store

Of grace infus'd; God therefore thee hath bless'd for evermore.

3 O thou that art the mighty One, thy sword gird on thy thigh;
Evn with thy glory excellent, and with thy majesty.

4 For meekness, truth, and righteousness, in state ride prosp'rously:

And thy right hand shall thee instruct in things that fearful be.

5 Thine arrows sharply pierce the heart of th' en'mies of the King;
And under the subjection

And under thy subjection the people down do bring.

6 For ever and for ever is, O God thy throne of might; The sceptre of thy kingdom is a sceptre that is right.

7 Thou lovest right, and hatest ill; for God, thy God, most high, Above thy fellows hath with th' oil of joy anointed thee. 8 Of aloes, myrrh, and cassia, a smell thy garments had, Out of the iv'ry palaces, wherehy they made thee glad.

9 Among thy women honourable kings' daughters were at hand: Upon thy right hand did the queen

in gold of Ophir stand.

10 O daughter, hearken and regard and do thine ear incline; Likewise forget thy father's house and people that are thine.

11 Then of the King desir'd shall be thy beauty veh'mently: Because he is thy Lord, do thou him worship rev'rently.

12 The daughter there of Tyre shall be with gifts and off'rings great:

Those of the people that are rich thy favour shall entreat.

13 Behold the daughter of the King all glorious is within; And with embroideries of gold her garments wrought have been.

14 She shall be brought unto the King in robes with needle wrought; Her fellow-virgins following shall unto thee be brought.

15 They shall be brought with gladness great, and mirth on ev'ry side,

Into the palace of the King, and there they shall abide.

16 Instead of those thy fathers dear, thy children thou may'st take, And in all places of the earth them noble princes make.

17 Thy name remember'd I will make through ages all to be:

The people therefore evermore shall praises give to thee.

## Another of the same.

I My heart inditing is
good matter in a song:
I speak the things that I have made
which to the King belong:
My tongue shall be as quick,
his honour to indite,
As is the pen of any scribe
that useth fast to write.

2 Thou'rt fairest of all men; grace in thy lips doth flow: And therefore blessings evermore on thee doth God bestow.

3 Thy sword gird on thy thigh, thou that art most of might: Appear in dreadful majesty, and in thy glory bright.

4 For meekness, truth, and right, ride prosp'rously in state;

And thy right hand shall teach to thee things terrible and great.

5 Thy shafts shall pierce their hearts that foes are to the King; Whereby into subjection the people thou shalt bring.

6 Thy royal seat, O Lord, for ever shall remain: The sceptre of thy kingdom doth all righteousness maintain.

7 Thou lov'st right, and hat'st ill; for God, thy God, most high, Above thy fellows hath with th' oil of joy anointed thee.

8 Of myrrh and spices sweet a smell thy garments had, Out of the iv'ry palaces, whereby they made thee glad.

9 And in thy glorious train kings' daughters waiting stand; And thy fair queen, in Ophir gold, doth stand at thy right hand.

10 O daughter, take good heed, incline and give good ear;
Thou must forget thy kindred all, and father's house most dear.

11 Thy beauty to the King
shall then delightful be:
And do thou humbly worship him,
because thy Lord is he.

12 The daughter then of Tyre
there with a gift shall be,
And all the wealthy of the land
shall make their suit to thee.

13 The daughter of the King all glorious is within;
And with embroideries of gold her garments wrought have been.

14 She cometh to the King in robes with needle wrought;
The virgins that do follow her shall unto thee be brought.

15 They shall be brought with joy, and mirth on every side, Into the palace of the King, and there they shall abide.

16 And in thy fathers' stead, thy children thou may'st take, And in all places of the earth them noble princes make.

17 I will shew forth thy name to generations all: Therefore the people evermore to thee give praises shall.

#### PSALM XLVI.

In this Psalm, probably composed for celebrating some remarkable victory, we have (1.) Bold triumphs of faith in God himself, and the mercies of the new covenant, amidst the most alarming danger and distress which can be supposed, ver. 1—6. (2.) A thankful rehearsal of the great things which God had wrought for the deliverance

of his people, and the destruction of their enemies, ver. 6—9. (3.) God's heart-composing promise of promoting his own glory in every providence, and faith's expectation of protection and deliverance therefrom, ver. 10, 11.——
¶ While I sing it, come, my soul, encourage thyself in Jehovah, as thy God, and thy All. Come drink abundantly out of Jesus' heart-gladdening River of life, his word, his blood, his Spirit, his fulness, his love; and holding fast the beginning of thy confidence unto the end, always give thanks.

# To the chief Musician, for the sons of Korah, Song upon Alamoth.

1 God is our refuge and our strength, in straits a present aid;

2 Therefore, although the earth remove, we will not be afraid:

Though hills amidst the seas be cast;

Though waters roaring make,
And troubled be; yea, though the hills
by swelling seas do shake.

4 A river is, whose streams do glad the city of our God; The holy place, wherein the Lord most high hath his abode.

5 God in the midst of her doth dwell; nothing shall her remove:

The Lord to her an helper will, and that right early, prove.

6 The heathen rag'd tumultuously, the kingdoms moved were: The Lord God uttered his voice, the earth did melt for fear.

- 7 The Lord of hosts upon our side doth constantly remain: The God of Jacob's our refuge, us safely to maintain.
  - 8 Come, and behold what wondrous works have by the Lord been wrought;
    Come see what desolations
  - 9 Unto the ends of all the earth wars into peace he turns:The bow he breaks, the spear he cuts,

he on the earth hath brought.

The bow he breaks, the spear he cuts, in fire the chariot burns.

- 10 Be still, and know that I am God; among the heathen I Will be exalted; I on earth will be exalted high.
- 11 Our God, who is the Lord of hosts,
  is still upon our side:
  The God of Jacob our refuge

for ever will abide.

#### PSALM XLVII.

This Psalm was probably composed on the same occasion as the 24th. Here is (1.) A revenue of praise demanded for God, from all people, Jews and Gentiles, ver. 1, 6. (2.) A memorial of the grounds of praise, viz. the majesty of God's nature, ver. 2. The great things he had done, or would do for his people, in subduing their foes and providing portions for themselves; and in ascending to heaven, to receive gifts, and prepare places for men, ver. 3—5. As also the high sovereignty and universal extent of his government, ver. 2, 7—9.——¶ While my lips utter this song, let all my inward powers labour in viewing, in loving,

in admiring, in extolling my great,—my glorious,—no ascended,—my all-governing,—all-doing, and all-giving Lord Jesus Christ.

# To the chief Musician, a Psalm for the sons of Korah.

1 All people, clap your hands; to God with voice of triumph shout:

2 For dreadful is the Lord most high, great King the earth throughout.

3 The heathen people under us he surely shall subdue; And he shall make the nations under our feet to bow.

4 The lot of our inheritance choose out for us shall he,
Of Jacob whom he lov'd well,
ev'n the excellency.

5 God is with shouts gone up, the Lord with trumpets sounding high.

6 Sing praise to God, sing praise, sing praise, praise to our King sing ye.

7 For God is King of all the earth; with knowledge praise express.

8 God rules the nations: God sits on his throne of holiness.

9 The princes of the people are assembled willingly; Ev'n of the God of Abraham they who the people be. For why? the shields that do defend the earth are only his: They to the Lord belong; yea, he exalted greatly is.

#### PSALM XLVIII.

This Psalm was no doubt composed to celebrate some remarkable victory or deliverance, in the days of David, Jehoshaphat, 2 Chron. xx. or Hezekiah, 2 Kings, xix. We have here, (1.) Jerusalem, the capital city of Israel, and type of the gospel-church and heavenly state, celebrated for her beauty and her relation to God, as the residence of his temple and ordinances, ver. 1, 2. (2.) JEHOVAH the God of Israel, celebrated for his kind and powerful protection of Jerusalem, and for making her enemies flee off with much precipitation and terror, ver. 3-7. (3.) The people of God, particularly in Jerusalem, meditating upon, and celebrating the gracious, and mighty things, which God had, or would do for them; and for his discoveries of himself to them; and promising themselves sure and lasting happiness in his relation to them, and direction of them, ver. 8-14. - While I sing these, let me be deeply affected with the glory, -with the privileges, -and chiefly with the God of the Christian church, and of the new covenant state, and of the new Jerusalem, which is above, which is the mother, the desired city of us all.

# A Song and Psalm for the sons of Korah.

GREAT is the Lord, and greatly he is to be praised still,
 Within the city of our God, upon his holy hill.
 Mount Sion stands most beautiful,

the joy of all the land;

The city of the mighty King on her north side doth stand.

3 The Lord within her palaces is for a refuge known.

4 For, lo, the kings that gather'd were

together, by have gone.

5 But when they did behold the same, they, wond'ring, would not stay; But, being troubled at the sight,

they thence did haste away.

6 Great terror there took hold on them. they were possess'd with fear: Their grief came like a woman's pain, when she a child doth bear.

7 Thou Tarshish ships with east wind

As we have heard it told, break'st: So, in the city of the Lord,

our eyes did it behold;

In our God's city, which his hand for ever stablish will.

9 We of thy loving-kindness thought,

Lord, in thy temple still.

10 O Lord, according to thy name, through all the earth's thy praise; And thy right hand, O Lord, is full of righteousness always.

11 Because thy judgments are made known, let Sion mount rejoice:

Of Judah let the daughters all send forth a cheerful voice.

12 Walk about Sion, and go round; the high towers thereof tell:

13 Consider ye her palaces, and mark her bulwarks well;

That ye may tell posterity.

For this God doth abide

Our God for evermore; he will ev'n unto death us guide.

#### PSALM XLIX.

This Psalm is a mirror calculated to exhibit the emptiness of all wordly enjoyments. ()bserve (1.) David's earnest attempt to awaken all ranks of mankind to a serious consideration of this matter, as a point of great importance, and universal concern, ver. 1, 4. (2) His irrefragable proofs of the vanity of earthly enjoyments, viz. that they cannot save from death, either a man's self or his friend; and that they cannot make men wise or happy in this world; and far less render them happy in the future state. ver. 6-14. (3.) His attempt to comfort himself and other saints, under the sense of their daily infirmities, and of the chastisements received on account of their sins; and against the slavish fears of death and against temptations arising from the prosperity of the wicked, ver. 5, 15-18.--While I sing, let me bewail my sinful minding of, and idolatrous attachment to earthly things. Let me be henceforth, as a weaned child, setting my affections on things above, where Christ is at the right hand of God. Let no uncertain riches or honours, but the LIVING God be the object of all my trust and joy.

# To the chief Musician, a Psalm for the sons of Korah.

1 HEAR this, all people, and give ear, all in the world that dwell;

2 Both low and high, both rich and poor.

My mouth shall wisdom tell: 3 My heart shall knowledge meditate.

I will incline mine ear To parables, and on the harp my sayings dark declare.

5 Amidst those days that evil be, why should I, fearing, doubt? When of my heels th' iniquity shall compass me about.

6 Whoe'er they be that in their wealth their confidence do pitch,

And boast themselves, because they are become exceeding rich:

7 Yet none of these his brother can redeem by any way; Nor can he unto God for him sufficient ransom pay,

8 (Their soul's redemption precious is,

and it can never be,)

9 That still he should for ever live, and not corruption see.

10 For why? he seeth that wise men die, and brutish fools also Do perish: and their wealth, when dead,

to others they let go.

11 Their inward thought is, that their house and dwelling-places shall Stand through all ages; they their lands

by their own names do call.

12 But yet in honour shall not man abide continually; But passing hence, may be compar'd unto the beasts that die.

13 Thus brutish folly plainly is their wisdom and their way; Yet their posterity approve

what they do fondly say.

14 Like sheep they in the grave are laid, and death shall them devour: And in the morning upright men shall over them have power:

Their beauty from their dwelling shall consume within the grave.

15 But from hell's hand God will me free. for he shall me receive.

16 Be thou not then afraid when one enriched thou dost see,

Nor when the glory of his house advanced is on high:

17 For he shall carry nothing hence when death his days doth end; Nor shall his glory after him into the grave descend.

18 Although he his own soul did bless whilst he on earth did live: (And when thou to thyself dost well, men will thee praises give;)

19 He to his fathers' race shall go, they never shall see light.

20 Man honour'd wanting knowledge is like beasts that perish quite.

#### PSALM L.

This Psalm may be considered as a ribuke to the carnal Jews, who rested in and boasted of their external ceremonies in worship, to the neglecting of the weightier matters of the law, -mercy, judgment and faith: Or, as a prediction of the coming of Christ, to abolish the ceremonial worship, reject the Jews from his church, and establish a more pure and spiritual form of worship under the gospel: Or in fine, as a representation of the last judgment, -in which Christ shall come, to render to every man according to his deeds. Observe, (1.) The awful appearance of God our Redeemer, in the flesh, in power, or in the clouds, with the gathering of the people to him, ver. 1-6. (2.) An engaging admonition to improve God's new covenant grant of himself to be our God, as an excitement to exchange legal ceremonies into prayer, thanksgiving, and holy obedience; or at least to give a remarkable preference to the latter, ver. 7-15. (3.) A terrible charge of hypocrisy, slander, contempt of God's word, and of atheistical imaginations concerning God. laid against the wicked, with a fearful sentence of condemnation, founded thereon, ver. 16-22. (4) An alarming warning of danger to the forgetters of God, and encouraging promise to such as study to glorify him, by an holy conversation, ver. 22, 23. \_\_\_ Sing this, my soul, with solemn awe, assisted before the great Searcher of hearts, and as by faith beholding Jesus in my nature; -sitting on his great white throne, -gathering the nations to his bar, opening the books, and judging mankind out of the things found written therein.

## A Psalm of Asaph.

1 The mighty God, the Lord, hath spoken, and did call The earth from rising of the sun, to where he hath his fall.

2 From out of Sion hill,
which of excellency
And beauty the perfection is,
God shined gloriously.

3 Our God shall surely come, keep silence shall not he: Before him fire shall waste, great storms shall round about him be.

4 Unto the heavens clear
he from above shall call,
And to the earth likewise, that he
may judge his people all.

5 Together let my saints unto me gather'd be, Those that by sacrifice have made a covenant with me.

6 And then the heavens shall his righteousness declare: Because the Lord himself is he by whom men judged are.

7 My people Isr'el hear, speak will I from on high, Against thee I will testify; God, ev'n thy God, am I.

8 I for thy sacrifice
no blame will on thee lay,
Nor for burnt off rings, which to me
thou offer dst every day.

9 I'll take no calf nor goats from house or fold of thine:

10 For beasts of forests, cattle all on thousand hills, are mine.

11 The fowls on mountains high are all to me well known;
Wild beasts which in the fields do lie,
ev'n they are all mine own.

12 Then, if I hungry were,
I would not tell it thee;
Because the world, and fulness all
thereof, belongs to me.

13 Will I eat flesh of bulls?
or goats' blood drink will I?

14 Thanks offer thou to God, and pay thy vows to the most High.

15 And call upon me when in trouble thou shalt be; I will deliver thee, and thou my name shalt glorify.

16 But to the wicked man

God saith, My laws and truth

Should'st thou declare? how dar'st thou

my cov'nant in thy mouth?

[take]

17 Sith thou instruction hat'st,
which should thy ways direct;
And sith my words behind thy back
thou cast'st, and dost reject.

18 When thou a thief didst see with him thou didst consent;

And with the vile adulterers partaker on thou went.

19 Thou giv'st thy mouth to ill, thy tongue deceit doth frame;

20 Thou sitt'st, and 'gainst thy brother thy mother's son dost shame. [speak'st,

21 Because I silence kept, whilst thou these things l

whilst thou these things hast wrought;

That I was altogether like thyself, hath been thy thought:

Yet I will thee reprove, and set before thine eyes, In order ranked, thy misdeeds, and thine iniquities.

22 Now, ye that God forget, this carefully consider; Lest I in pieces tear you all, and none can you deliver.

23 Whoso doth offer praise me glorifies; and I Will shew him God's salvation, that orders right his way.

# Another of the same.

1 The mighty God, the Lord, hath spoke, and call'd the earth upon,
Ev'n from the rising of the sun unto his going down.

- 2 From out of Sion, his own hill, where the perfection high Of beauty is, from thence the Lord hath shined gloriously.
- 3 Our God shall come, and shall no more be silent, but speak out: Before him fire shall waste, great storms shall compass him about.
- 4 He to the heavens from above, and to the earth below,
  Shell call that he his judgment

Shall call, that he his judgments may before his people show.

- 5 Let all my saints together be unto me gathered; Those that by sacrifice with me a covenant have made.
- 6 And then the heavens shall declare
  his righteousness abroad:
  Because the Lord himself doth come;
  none else is judge but God.
- 7 Hear, O my people, and I'll speak; O Israel by name,

Against thee I will testify; God, ev'n thy God, I am.

- 8 I for thy sacrifices few reprove thee never will, Nor for burnt-off'rings to have been before me offer'd still.
- 9 I'll take no bullock nor he-goats from house nor folds of thine:

10 For beasts of forests, cattle all on thousand hills are mine.

11 The fowls are all to me well known that mountains high do yield:
And I do challenge as mine own the wild beasts of the field.

12 If I were hungry, I would not
to thee for need complain;
For earth, and all its fulness, doth

to me of right pertain.

13 That I to eat the flesh of bulls, take pleasure dost thou think?
Or that I need, to quench my thirst, the blood of goats to drink?

14 Nay, rather unto me, thy God, thanksgiving offer thou: To the most High perform thy word,

and fully pay thy vow:

15 And in the day of trouble great see that thou call on me;

I will deliver thee, and thou my name shalt glorify.

16 But God unto the wicked saith,
Why should'st thou mention make
Of my commands; how dar'st thou in
thy mouth my cov'nant take?

17 Sith it is so that thou dost hate
all good instruction;
And sith thou cast'st behind thy back,

- and slight'st my words each one.

18 When thou a thief didst see, then straight thou join'dst with him in sin,

And with the vile adulterers thou hast partaker been.

19 Thy mouth to evil thou dost give, thy tongue deceit doth frame.

20 Thou sitt'st, and 'gainst thy brother thy mother's son to shame. [speak'st,

21 These things thou wickedly hast done, and I have silent been:

Thou thought'st that I was like thyself, and did approve thy sin.

But I will sharply thee reprove, and I will order right

Thy sins and thy transgressions in presence of thy sight.

22 Consider this, and be afraid, ye that forget the Lord, Lest I in pieces tear you all, when none can help afford.

23 Who off'reth praise me glorifies:

I will shew God's salvation

To him that ordereth aright
his life and conversation.

## PSALM LI.

This Psalm was penned by David, when reproved by Nathan, for his adultery with Bath-sheba, and for his murder of Uriah, & Sam. xii. We have in it, (1.) David's candid and truly sorrowful acknowledgements of his sin, particularly his adultery and murder, as highly dishonourable to God;—and of his original sin, as the source

thereof, ver. 1-5, 17. (2) His earnest supplications for pardon of his offences, and for heart-purifying, and renewing grace; and for renewed influences of the Holy Ghost; and for peace of conscience, and comfortable fellowship with God, for himself, ver. 1, 2, 6-15. and for reformation of, and prosperity to the church, which had been hurt by his sin, ver. 18, 19. (3.) His sincere purposes of heart, to improve God's favours to himself, in promoting the instruction of others, and in giving them an honourable pattern of an exact celebration of God's public worship, ver. 13, 14, 15, 16, 19.—- \While I sing this penitential psalm, let my heart be filled with clear, but evangelic views of my aggravated, my unnumbered transgressions; - and with deep sorrow and remorse for them, let me pour forth supplications, strong cries, and tears, to Him who is able to forgive all mine iniquities, and to deliver me from every corruption. Let me wash myself in Jesus' blood, as the fountain opened to men for sin and for uncleanness.

To the chief Musician, a Psalm of David, when Nathan the prophet came unto him, after he had gone in unto Bath-sheba.

1 After thy loving-kindness, Lord, have mercy upon me: For thy compassions great, blot out all mine iniquity:

2 Me cleanse from sin, and throughly wash

from mine iniquity:

3 For my transgressions I confess; my sin I ever see.

4 'Gainst thee, thee only, have I sinn'd, in thy sight done this ill;

That when thou speak'st thou may'st be and clear in judging still. [just,

5 Behold I in iniquity
was form'd the womb within;
My mother also me conceiv'd
in guiltiness and sin.

6 Behold, thou in the inward parts
with truth delighted art;
And wisdom thou shalt make me know

within the hidden part.

7 Do thou with hyssop sprinkle me, I shall be cleansed so; Yea, wash thou me, and then I shall be whiter than the snow.

8 Of gladness and joyfulness make me to hear the voice; That so these very bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.

9 All mine iniquities blot out, thy face hide from my sin.

10 Create a clean heart, Lord, renew a right sp'rit me within.

11 Cast me not from thy sight, nor take thy Holy Sp'rit away.

12 Restore me thy salvation's joy; with thy free Sp'rit me stay.

13 Then will I teach thy ways unto those that transgressors be; And those that sinners are shall then be turned unto thee.

14 O God, of my salvation God, me from blood-guiltiness Set free; then shall my tongue aloud sing of thy righteousness.

15 My closed lips, O Lord, by thee let them be opened; Then shall thy praises by my mouth abroad be published.

16 For thou desir'st not sacrifice,
else would I give it thee;
Nor wilt thou with burnt offering
at all delighted be.

17 A broken spirit is to God
a pleasing sacrifice:

A broken and a contrite heart, Lord, thou wilt not despise.

18 Shew kindness, and do good, O Lord, to Sion thine own hill:

The walls of the Jornsolan

The walls of thy Jerusalem build up of thy good will.

19 Then righteous off rings shall thee please, and off rings burnt, which they
With whole burnt-off rings, and with shall on thine altar lay. [calves,

#### PSALM LII.

This Psalm relates to Doeg the Edomite, who informed Saul, how Ahimelech the high priest had entertained David and his servants, and in consequence thereof, had murdered Ahimelech and above fourscore other priests. 2 Sam. xxii. Here (1.) David charges Doeg, that notwithetanding of the manifested and everlasting goodness of God, he gloried in his malice, craft, cruelty, and other wickedness, ver. 1—5. (2.) By the spirit of prophecy, he con-

demns him for his wickedness, to be pluckt from his dwelling, and rooted out of the land of the living, to the great joy of the fearers of God, ver. 6, 7. (3) He comforts himself in the everlasting mercy of God, and with the assured hopes, that he should yet praise him for his kindness, ver. 8, 9.——¶ Learn, O my soul, to detest all deceit and cruelty. Learn to imitate the goodness of God, which endureth continually: and while friends are cut off or foes prevail, let me live by faith, on a gracious God, as my All and in All.

- To the chief Musician, Maschil, a Psalm of David, when Doeg the Edomite came and told Saul, and said unto him, David is come to the house of Ahimelech.
- 1 Why dost thou boast, O mighty man, of mischief and of ill?
  The goodness of Almighty God endureth ever still.
- 2 Thy tongue mischievous calumnies deviseth subtilely, Like to a razor sharp to cut,
- working deceitfully.

  3 Ill more than good, and more than truth thou lovest to speak wrong:

4 Thou lovest all-devouring words, O thou deceitful tongue.

- 5 So God shall thee destroy for aye, remove thee, pluck thee out Quite from thy house, out of the land of life he shall thee root.
- 6 The righteous shall it see, and fear, and laugh at him they shall:

7 Lo, this the man is, that did not make God his strength at all:
But he in his abundant wealth his confidence did place;
And he took strength unto himself from his own wickedness.

8 But I am in the house of God like to an olive green:

My confidence for ever hath upon God's mercy been.

9 And I for ever will thee praise, because thou hast done this: I on thy name will wait; for good before thy saints it is.

#### PSALM LIII.

This Psalm is much the same as the 14th. It speaks (1.) Humbling convictions of their sinfulness of nature and practice, to ail men, ver. 1—3. (2.) Fearful terrors to them who persecute and oppress the people of God, ver. 4, 5. (3.) Abundant comfort, in the salvation of God, to his persecuted saints, ver. 5, 6.——¶ Learn, my soul, frequently to review thy original and contracted filthiness. Admire the patience and mercy of God towards mankind. Trust not in man, for wherein is he to be accounted of! In the full assurance of faith, wait patiently for God's salvation.

To the chief Musician, upon Mahalath, Maschil, a Psalm of David.

1 That there is not a God, the fool doth in his heart conclude:

They are corrupt, their works are vile, not one of them doth good.

2 The Lord upon the sons of men from heav'n did cast his eyes, To see if any one there was that sought God and was wise.

3 They altogether filthy are,
they all are backward gone;
And there is none that doeth good,
no, not so much as one.

4 These workers of iniquity,
do they not know at all,
That they my people eat as bread,
and on God do not call?

5 Ev'n there they were afraid, and stood with trembling all dismay'd,
Whereas there was no cause at all why they should be afraid:
For God his bones that thee besieg'd hath scatter'd all abroad;
Thou hast confounded them, for they despised are of God.

6 Let Isr'el's help from Sion come: when back the Lord shall bring His captives, Jacob shall rejoice, and Israel shall sing.

#### PSALM LIV.

This Psalm was composed when the Ziphites, men of the same tribe with David, instigated Saul to destroy him, and directed him how to accomplish it, 1 Sam. xxiii. xxvi. It contains (1.) David's strong cries to his God, that he would save and judge him, and hear his requests, ver. 1, 2.

- (2.) Bitter complaints of the oppression, and the impiety of his enemies, ver. 3. (3.) His triumphant consolation of himself, in the view of what God was to him, and would do for him,—intermixed with holy resolutions to praise him for his kindness, ver. 4—7.—— ¶ While Satan, and my lusts, and the men of this world, unite to destroy me, let me call on God. Let me be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Let me rejoice in Him, who hath delivered, doth deliver, and in whom I trust that He will deliver me.
- To the chief Musician, on Neginoth, Maschil, a Psalm of David, when the Ziphims came and said to Saul, Doth not David hide himself with us?
  - 1 Save me, O God, by thy great name, and judge me by thy strength:

2 My prayer hear, O God; give ear unto my words at length.

3 For they that strangers are to me do up against me rise;
Oppressors seek my soul, and God

set not before their eyes.

4 The Lord my God my helper is, lo, therefore I am bold:

He taketh part with every one that doth my soul uphold.

5 Unto mine enemies he shall mischief and ill repay:

O for thy truth's sake cut them off, and sweep them clean away.

6 I will a sacrifice to thee give with free willingness;

Thy name, O Lord, because 'tis good, with praise I will confess.

 7 For he hath me delivered from all adversities;
 And his desire mine eye hath seen upon mine enemies.

## PSALM LV.

This Psalm was probably penned by David, when he fled from Jerusalem, for fear of Absalom his son, 2 Sam. xv. xvi. Observe (1.) David's earnest prayers, for help and favour from God, amidst his great oppression, griefs, and fears, ver. 1-8. (2.) His requests for the just manifestation of God's vengeance, in the dispersion and destruction of his enemies who, in Jerusalem, particularly Ahithophel, had behaved in so base and treacherous a manner, ver. 9-15. (3.) Resolved on frequent and fervent prayer, he encourages himself and friends to trust in God, for support and deliverance, and for the speedy destruction of their enemies, however deceitful and bloody, ver. 16-23- While I sing, behold my soul, as in a glass, how Jesus our Redeemer was hated, was betrayed and murdered by his brethren of Judah, at Jerusalem, and how the fearful vengeance of the Almighty overtook them on that account. And if I am oppressed, defamed, or persecuted, that I know not whether to flee: If in cities, or in particular friends, wickedness and malice discover themselves, let me study resignation to the disposals of providence, and call upon God, in the assured hopes that He will answer in due time. Let me cast all my wants and burdens on him, who is my God, that doth me save.

To the chief Musician, on Neginoth, Maschil, a Psalm of David.

1 Lord hear my prayer, hide not thyself, from my entreating voice:

2 Attend and hear me; in my plaint I mourn and make a noise.

3 Because of th' en'my's voice, and for lewd men's oppression great:

On me they cast iniquity, and they in wrath me hate.

4 Sore pain'd within me is my heart: death's terrors on me fall.

5 On me comes trembling, fear and dread o'erwhelmed me withal,

6 O that I, like a dove, had wings, said I, then would I flee Far hence, that I might find a pla

Far hence, that I might find a place where I in rest might be.

7 Lo, then far off I wander would, and in the desert stay;

8 From windy storm and tempest I would haste to 'scape away.

9 O Lord, on them destruction bring, and do their tongues divide;

For in the city violence and strife I have espy'd.

10 They day and night upon the walls
do go about it round:

There mischief is, and sorrow there in midst of it is found.

11 Abundant wickedness there is within her inward part;

And from her streets deceitfulness and guile do not depart. 12 He was no fee that me reproach'd, then that endure I could; Nor hater that did 'gainst me boast, from him me hid I would.

13 But thou, man, who mine equal, guide, and mine acquaintance wast:

14 We join'd sweet counsels, to God's house

in company we past.

15 Let death upon them seize, and down

let them go quick to hell;
For wickedness doth much abound
among them where they dwell.

16 I'll call on God: God will me save.

17 I'll pray and make a noise
At evening, morning, and at noon;
and he shall hear my voice.

18 He hath my soul delivered, that it in peace might be From battle that against me was, for many were with me.

19 The Lord shall hear and them afflict, of old who hath abode:

Because they never changes have, therefore they fear not God.

20 'Gainst those that were at peace with him he hath put forth his hand: The covenant that he had made, by breaking he profan'd.

21 More smooth than butter were his words,

while in his heart was war;

His speeches were more soft than oil, and yet drawn swords they are.

22 Cast thou thy burden on the Lord, and he shall thee sustain; Yea, he shall cause the righteous man unmoved to remain.

23 But thou, O Lord my God, those men in justice shalt o'erthrow, And in destruction's dungeon dark at last shalt lay them low:

The bloody and deceitful men shall not live half their days:
But upon thee with confidence
I will depend always.

## PSALM LVI.

This Psalm was penned by David, when the Philistines apprehended him in Gath, 1 Sam, xxi. ver. 10-15. And contains (1.) His earnest supplications to God, for merciful protection and deliverance from his enemies, who were barbarous, powerful, crafty, malicious, and restless, ver. 1, 2, 5, 6, 7. (2.) His assured confidence in God, as his own God, who hath spoken good concerning him, and took particular notice of his grievances, ver. 3, 4, 8, 11. (3.) Firm hopes, that his prayers should issue in the defeat of his enemies, and that his faith would set him above the slavish fears of men, ver. 9-11. and that while he paid his vows to God, he should have farther occasion to praise the Lord, for what he had done, and would do for him, ver. 12, 13. -- Thus, let me, in all my straits, have recourse to God. While his promises remain infallible, let me rejoice therein, and without anxiety cheerfully expect the fulfilment thereof.

To the chief Musician, upon Jonath-elem-rechokim, Michtam of David, when the Philistines took him in Gath.

I Shew mercy, Lord, to me, for man would swallow me outright; He me oppresseth, while he doth against me daily fight.

2 They daily would me swallow up that hate me spitefully;

For they be many that do fight against me, O most High.

3 When I'm afraid I'll trust in thee:

4 In God I'll praise his word;
I will not fear what flesh can do,
my trust is in the Lord.

5 Each day they wrest my words; their 'gainst me are all for ill. [thoughts

6 They meet, they lurk, they mark my steps, waiting my soul to kill.

7 But shall they by iniquity
escape thy judgments so?

O God, with indignation down do thou the people throw.

8 My wand rings all what they have been thou know'st their number took;

Into thy bottle put my tears: are they not in thy book?

9 My foes shall, when I cry, turn back; I know't, God is for me. 10 In God his word I'll praise; his word in God shall praised be.

11 In God I trust; I will not fear what man can do to me.

12 Thy vows upon me are, O God:
I'll render praise to thee.

13 Wilt thou not, who from death me sav'd,
my feet from falls keep free,
To walk before God in the light
of those that living be.

## PSALM LVII.

This Psalm was penned by David, when he fled from Saul in the cave, 1 Sam. xxiv. And contains (1.) David's earnest betaking of himself to God, upon whom all his dependence was fixed; towards whom all his desires were bent; and from whom only he expected relief for mercy amidst his great troubles, ver. 1, 2. (2.) His complaints of the cruelty, malice, and calumnious deceit of his inveterate enemies, ver. 3, 4, 6. (3.) His believing triumph in God, in which he prepares himself for praising God, excites himself to it, delights himself in it, and furnisheth himself with matter for it, ver. 7-10. (4.) Conscious of his own inability to praise God enough, he leaves it on God, to exalt and glorify himself, ver. 5-11. While I sing, let me cry loud for mercy, let me lay my spiritual and temporal adversities before the Lord; and let me triumph in the God of my salvation, and employ him to glorify his name in all the earth.

To the chief Musician, Al-taschith, Michtam of David, when he fled from Saul, in the cave.

1 Be merciful to me, O God; thy mercy unto me

Do thou extend; because my soul doth put her trust in thee:
Yea, in the shadow of thy wings my refuge I will place,
Until these sad calamities do wholly overpass.

2 My cry I will cause to ascend unto the Lord most high; To God, who doth all things for me perform most perfectly.

3 From heav'n he shall send down, and me from his reproach defend

That would devour me: God his trath and mercy forth shall send.

4 My soul among fierce lions is,
I firebrands live among,
Men's sons, whose teeth are spears and
a sharp sword is their tongue. [darts.

5 Be thou exalted very high
above the heavins, O.God;
Let then the glove he adversed

Let thou thy glory be advanc'd o'er all the earth abroad.

6 My soul's bowed down; for they a net have laid my steps to snare:
Into the pit which they have digg'd for me they fallen are.

7 My heart is fix'd, my heart is fix'd, O God; I'll sing and praise.

8 My glory wake; wake psalt'ry, harp; myself I'll early raise. 9 I'll praise thee 'mong the people, Lord; 'mong nations sing will I:

10 For great to heav'n thy mercy is, thy truth is to the sky.

11 O Lord, exalted be thy name above the heav'ns to stand:
Do thou thy glory far advance above both sea and land.

## PSALM LVIII.

This Psalm was probably composed by David when Saul carried on some kind of legal prosecution against him, which is not mentioned in the history of his reign. Here (1.) He describes the corruption of these judges' government in neglecting to do justice, and in readiness to do injustice, - and the corruption of their nature, with malice, falsehood, and obstinate untractableness, ver. 1-5. (2) He prays that God would disable them to perpetrate mischief, would defeat their projects, and weaken their influence, ver. 6-8. (3.) He predicts their ruin-calculated to promote the comfort of the godly, and the conviction of sinners .- " While I sing, let me search out my corruptions, and bewail my obstinate refusals of Jesus Christ, and the counsels of his word. Let me dread the speedy, but awful vengeance of God, if I regard iniquity in my heart, or indulge it in my life.

To the chief Musician, Al-taschith, Michtam of David.

1 Do ye, O congregation indeed speak righteousness?O ye that are the sons of men, judge ye with uprightness?

2 Yea, ev'n within your very hearts ye wickedness have done;

And ye the vi'lence of your hands do weigh the earth upon.

3 The wicked men estranged are, ev'n from the very womb; They, speaking lies, do stray as soon as to the world they come.

4 Unto a serpent's poison like their poison doth appear; Yea, they are like the adder deaf, that closely stops her ear;

5 That so she may not hear the voice of one that charm her would, No, not though he most cunning were and charm most wisely could.

6 Their teeth, O God, within their mouth break thou in pieces small;
The great teeth break thou out, O Lord, of these young lions all.

7 Let them like waters melt away, which downward still do flow: In pieces cut his arrows all, when he shall bend his bow.

8 Like to a snail that melts away, let each of them be gone; Like woman's birth untimely, that they never see the sun.

9 He shall them take away before your pots the thorns can find, Both living, and in fury great, as with a stormy wind.

- 10 The righteous when he vengeance sees, he shall be joyful then;
  The righteous one shall wash his feet in blood of wicked men.
- 11 So men shall say, The righteous man reward shall never miss: And verily upon the earth a God to judge there is.

### PSALM LIX.

This Psalm was penned by David when Saul sent messengers to watch his house, in order to kill him, 1 Sam. xix. In it, as in the seven immediately preceding, we have, (1.) David's bitter complaints of his enemies, as wicked, barbarous, malicious, and atheistical, ver. 1-7. (2.) His predictory prayers that God would expose these enemies to contempt and derision; make them standing monuments of his just indignation: deal with them according to their sins; and consume them in his wrath; and even render their sin their punishment, ver. 8-15. (3.) His holy resolutions to wait upon God, till his judgments should be executed on them, and then to praise him for his favours, ver. 9, 10, 16, 17.— \ While I sing, let me think of the opposition made to David's Lord, and of the unrelenting vengeance which hath overtaken his enemies, Jewish and Heathen, and shall overtake his Antichristian and other opposers. While his honours are trampled under foot, let me wait on, and trust in God, that at last I may join in the HAL-LELUJAHS of his people, when the smoke of his enemies' torment ascendeth up for ever and ever.

- To the chief Musician, Al-tascith, Michtam of David; when Saul sent, and they watched the house to kill him.
- 1 My God, deliver me from those that are mine enemies;

And do thou me defend from those that up against me rise.

2 Do thou deliver me from them
that work iniquity;
And give me safety from the men
of bloody amounts.

of bloody cruelty.

3 For, lo, they for my soul lay wait:
the mighty do combine
Against me, Lord; not for my fault,
nor any sin of mine.

4 They run, and, without fault in me, themselves do ready make: Awake to meet me with thy help;

and do thou notice take.

5 Awake therefore, Lord God of Hosts, thou God of Israel, To visit heathen all: spare none

that wickedly rebel.

6 At evening they go to and fro; they make great noise and sound, Like to a dog, and often walk

about the city round.

7 Behold, they belch out with their mouth, and in their lips are swords:
For they do say thus, Who is he

that now doth hear our words?

8 But thou, O Lord, shalt laugh at them and all the heathen mock.

9 While he's in pow'r I'll wait on thee; for God is my high rock. 10 He of my mercy that is God betimes shall me prevent; Upon mine en'mies God shall let

me see mine heart's content.

11 Them slay not, lest my folk forget; but scatter them abroad

By thy strong pow'r; and bring them O thou our shield and God.

12 For their mouth's sin, and for the words that from their lips do fly, Let them be taken in their pride;

because they curse and lie.

13 In wrath consume them, them consume,

that so they may not be: And that in Jacob God doth rule to th' earth's ends let them see.

14 At ev'ning let thou them return, making great noise and sound. Like to a dog, and often walk

about the city round.

15 And let them wander up and down. in seeking food to eat;

And let them grudge when they shall not

be satisfy'd with meat.

16 But of thy pow'r I'll sing aloud; at morn thy mercy praise: For thou to me my refuge wast, and tow'r in troublous days.

17 O God, thou art my strength, I will

sing praises unto thee;

For God is my defence, a God of mercy unto me.

#### PSALM LX.

This Psalm was penned by David, during his wars with the Syrians and Edomites, 2 Sam. viii. Here (1.) He bewails the tokens of God's displeasure with Israel, in the breaking and disjointing of the nation under Saul and Ishbosheth, ver. 1-3. (2.) In thankful contemplation of the late revival he had given to their affairs by his own accession to the throne, and victories over the Philistines, Moabites, &c. he beseeches God to grant them victory over, and rest from, all their other enemies, ver. 4, 5. (3.) In the confident expectation of God's fulfilment of his promises and along with importunate supplication, he expresseth his triumphant hopes that God would quickly subdue every enemy, the fortified cities of Edom not excepted, ver. 6-12 .\_\_\_ In all my distressed cases, let me rejoice in the BANNER, the Ensign given and displayed to the nations; and in the faith of God's promise, let me firmly expect victory over every spiritual foe, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God, the full enjoyment of the Canaan that is above.

- To the chief Musician, upon Shushan-eduth, Michtam of David, to teach, when he strove with Aram-naharaim, and with Aram-zobah, when Joab returned, and smote of Edom in the valley of Salt, twelve thousand.
- 1 O Lord, thou hast rejected us, and scatter'd us abroad: Thou justly hast displeased been; return to us, O God.
- 2 The earth to tremble thou hast made; therein didst breaches make.

Do flou thereof the breaches heal, because the land doth shake.

3 Unto thy people thou hard things hast shew'd, and on them sent; And thou hast caused us to drink wine of astonishment.

4 And yet a banner thou hast giv'n to them who thee do fear; That it by them, because of truth,

displayed may appear.

5 That thy beloved people may deliver'd be from thrall, Save with the pow'r of thy right hand,

and hear me when I call.
6 God in his holiness hath spoke;

herein I will take pleasure:
Shechem I will divide, and forth
will Succoth's valley measure.

7 Gilead I claim as mine by right;
Manasseh mine shall be;
Ephraim is of mine head the strength;
Judah gives laws for me;

8 Moab's my washing-pot; my shoe I'll over Edom throw; And over Palestina's land

I will in triumph go.

9 O who is he will bring me to the city fortify'd?

O who is he that to the land of Edom will me guide? 10 O God, which hadest us cast off, this thing wilt thou not do? Ev'n thou, O God, which didest not forth with our armies go?

11 Help us from trouble; for the help is vain which man supplies.

12 Thro' God we'll do great acts; he shall tread down our enemies.

## PSALM LXI.

Here (1.) David, in commemorating what the Lord had formerly done for him, and in the faith of what he had promised, cries to God for comfort and protection amidst great troubles, ver. 1, 4. (2.) In the view of what God had and would for ever do for him, he supplicates necessary mercies, and resolves on everlasting praise and thanksgiving to God as his bounden duty, ver. 5—8.——¶ So may all providences, distressful or smiling, lead my soul to a thankful panting for God, as my ALL and in ALL.

## To the chief Musician, upon Neginoth, a Psalm of David.

1 O Goo, give ear unto my cry; unto my pray'r attend.

2 From the utmost corner of the land my cry to thee I'll send.

What time my heart is overwhelm'd, and in perplexity,

Do thou me lead unto the Rock that higher is than I.

3 For thou hast for my refuge been a shelter by thy pow'r; And for defence against my foes thou hast been a strong tow'r.

4 Within thy tabernacle I for ever will abide;
And under covert of thy wings with confidence me hide.

5 For thou the vows that I did make
O Lord my God, didst hear:
Thou hast giv'n me the heritage
of those thy name that fear.

6 A life prolong'd for many days thou to the king shalt give;
Like many generations be the years which he shall live.

7 He in God's presence his abode for evermore shall have:O do thou truth and mercy both prepare that may him save.

8 And so will I perpetually sing praise unto thy name;
That having made my vows, I may each day perform the same.

## PSALM LXII.

In this Psalm (1.) David solemnly avows his manifold relations to God, his composed dependence on, fixed trust in, and quiet waiting for God; and his hopes of the ruin of his enemies, ver. 1—7. (2.) He earnestly encourageth others to trust in, and call on God, who is infinite in power, mercy, and justice; and to beware of trusting in men, or in outward riches or honours, which are deceiful, and un-

substantial, ver. 8—12.—¶ While I sing, go thou, my soul, and do likewise. Be weaned from all dependence on creatures; but cleave to, and depend on this all-sufficient Jehovah, as answerable to all thy needs,—all thy desires,—all thy enjoying powers, for time, and for eternity.—Then, () how fixed in safety! and how filled with the consolations of Christ!

To the chief Musician, to Jeduthun, a Psalm of David.

 My soul with expectation depends on God indeed;
 My strength and my salvation doth from him alone proceed.

2 He only my salvation is, and my strong rock is he: He only is my sure defence; much mov'd I shall not be.

3 How long will ye against a man plot mischief? ye shall all Be slain; ye as a tott'ring fence shall be, and bowing wall.

4 They only plot to cast him down from his excellency:

They joy in lies; with mouth they bless, but they curse inwardly.

5 My soul, wait thou with patience upon thy God alone;
On him dependeth all my hope and expectation.

6 He only my salvation is, and my strong rock is he; He only is my sure defence: I shall not moved be.

7 In God my glory placed is, and my salvation sure; In God the rock is of my strength, my refuge most secure.

8 Ye people, place your confidence in him continually;

Before him pour ye out your heart: God is our refuge high.

9 Surely mean men are vanity, and great men are a lie; In balance laid, they wholly are more light than vanity.

10 Trust ye not in oppression,
in robb'ry be not vain;
On wealth set not your hearts, when as
increased is your gain.

11 God hath it spoken once to me, yea, this I heard again, That power to Almighty God alone doth appertain.

12 Yea, mercy also unto thee belongs, O Lord, alone: For thou according to his work rewardest ev'ry one.

## PSALM LXIII.

This Psalm was penned by David while he hid himself from the fury of Saul, in the wilderness of Judah, 1 Sam. xxii. 5.—or xxiii. 14, 24, 25,—or xxiv. 1. Or when he

fled from Absalom, 2 Sam. xv. xvi. We have (1.) His strong faith, working in ardent desires, after the most familiar fellowship with God, in public ordinances, ver. 1, 2. (2.) His superlative estimation of God, issuing in hearty resolutions to be for ever employed in his praise, ver. 3. 4. (3.) His heart-ravishing satisfaction in God. amidst secret and fixed meditation on his excellencies and love, ver. 5, 6. (4.) His joyful dependence on God, as his Saviour and Portion, ver. 7, 8 (5.) His holy triumph in God, as his preserver, and the destroyer of his enemies. ver. 9-11. While I sing these high praises of God, let my soul be strong in the faith, giving glory to God; embracing the promise of Himself, and calling all the fulness of the Godhead my own. Let no guile, no corruption, no carnal care enervate or damp my inward powers. But let all be opened, be wide stretched, to grasp my infinite ALL, the great I AM.

## A Psalm of David, when he was in the wilderness of Judah.

I Lord, thee my God, I'll early seek: my soul doth thirst for thee; My flesh longs in a dry parch'd land, wherein no waters be:

2 That I thy power may behold, and brightness of thy face, As I have seen thee heretofore within thy holy place.

3 Since better is thy love than life, my lips thee praise shall give.

4 I in thy name will lift my hands, and bless thee while I live.

5 Ev'n as with marrow and with fat my soul shall filled be;

Then shall my mouth with joyful lips sing praises unto thee:

6 When I do thee upon my bed remember with delight,
And when on thee I meditate in watches of the night.
In shadow of thy wings I'll joy; for thou mine help hast been.

8 My soul thee follows hard; and me thy right hand doth sustain.

9 Who seek my soul to spill shall sink down to earth's lowest room.

10 They by the sword shall be cut off, and foxes' prey become.

11 Yet shall the king in God rejoice, and each one glory shall That swear by him: but stopp'd shall be the mouth of liars all.

### PSALM LXIV.

This Psalm contains (1) David's earnest supplications for preservation from his enemies, who were so spiteful in their calumnious reproaches, so close and subtile in their malicious plots, and so industrious and active in executing their cruel projects, ver. 1—6. (2.) His predictions, that God, by just vengeance, would quickly render these enemies a terror to themselves and others, and an occasion of holy joy and confidence to the saints, ver. 7—10.—
¶ While I sing, let me commit my spiritual enemies into the hand of God, who is able to destroy them, and will quickly, to my everlasting comfort, tread them all under my feet.

## To the chief Musician, a Psalm of David.

1 When I to thee my prayer make, Lord, to my voice give ear; My life save from the enemy, of whom I stand in fear.

2 Me from their secret counsel hide who do live wickedly;

From insurrection of those men that work iniquity.

3 Who do their tongues with malice whet, and make them cut like swords; In whose bent bows are arrows set, ev'n sharp and bitter words:

4 That they may at the perfect man in secret aim their shot;

Yea, suddenly they dare at him to shoot, and fear it not.

5 In ill encourage they themselves, and their snares close do lay: Together conference they have;

Who shall them see? they say.

They have search'd out iniquities,
a perfect search they keep:
Of each of them the inward thought,

and very heart is deep.

7 God shall an arrow shoot at them, and wound them suddenly:

8 So their own tongue shall them confound; all who them see shall fly.

- 9 And on all men a fear shall fall, God's works they shall declare; For they shall wisely notice take what these his doings are.
- 10 In God the righteous shall rejoice, and trust upon his might; Yea, they shall greatly glory all in heart that are upright.

## PSALM LXV.

Here we are directed to praise God, (1.) For his kindness manifested in his kingdom of grace, in hearing prayers, in pardoning iniquities, in satisfying the souls of his people with his blessings, and in protecting and supporting them in every exigence, ver. 1-5. (2.) For his kindness in the kingdom of providence, in fixing the mountains, in calming the seas, in preserving the regular succession of day and night, and in rendering the fields fruitful, and the flocks numerous and happy, ver. 6-13 .- While I sing, let praise wait in my soul for the Lord, and let me pour out my heart before him. Under deep sense of guilt and pollution, let me believe his unbounded forgiveness and sanctifying influence. Let me come even to his seat and enjoy ravishing fellowship with him. Let all my confidence be fixed on him, and even in the blessings of providence, let me discern the exceeding riches of his grace.

# To the chief Musician, a Psalm and Song of David.

- 1 Praise waits for thee in Sion, Lord: to thee vows paid shall be.
- 2 O thou that hearer art of pray'r, all flesh shall come to thee.

3 Iniquities I must confess, prevail against me do: But as for our transgressions, them purge away shalt thou.

4 Bless'd is the man whom thou dost choose, and mak'st approach to thee,

That he within thy courts, O Lord, may still a dweller be:

We surely shall be satisfy'd with thy abundant grace,

And with the goodness of thy house, ev'n of thy holy place.

5 O God of our salvation, thou in thy righteousness, By fearful works unto our pray'rs thine answer dost express: Therefore the ends of all the earth, and those afar that be

Upon the sea, their confidence, O Lord, will place in thee.

6 Who, being girt with pow'r, sets fast by his great strength the hills.

7 Who noise of seas, noise of their waves,

and people's tumult, stills.

8 Those in the utmost parts that dwell are at thy signs afraid: Th' outgoings of the morn and ev'n

by thee are joyful made.

9 The earth thou visit'st, wat'ring it; thou mak'st it rich to grow With God's full flood; thou corn prepar'st, when thou provid'st it so.

10 Her rigs thou wat'rest plenteously, her furrows settlest: With showers thou dost her mollify, her spring by thee is blest.

11 So thou the year most lib'rally dost with thy goodness crown;
And all thy paths abundantly on us drop fatness down.

12 They drop upon the pastures wide, that do in deserts lie; The little hills on ev'ry side rejoice right pleasantly.

13 With flocks the pastures clothed be, the vales with corn are clad;
And now they shout and sing to thee, for thou hast made them glad.

## PSALM LXVI.

In this Psalm of thanksgiving, in which the fate of Israel is to be considered as typical of that of the gospel church, and people of God. We have here, (1.) David, as the messenger of God, calling all the nations of mankind to praise God for his manifestation of his sovereign dominion in his works, so wonderful in themselves, terrible to his enemies, comfortable to his people, and commanding and awful to all men, ver. 1—7. And for trying his people with afflictions, and for supporting under them, protecting amidst them, and delivering from them at last, ver. 8—12.

(2.) David, as the servant of God, exemplifying his own

exhortations, in honouring God by costly oblations, and by thankful declarations of what God had done for his soul particularly in answer to his prayers, ver. 13—20.

## To the chief Musician, a Song or Psalm.

1 All lands to God, in joyful sounds, aloft your voices raise.

2 Sing forth the honour of his name, and glorious make his praise.

3 Say unto God, How terrible in all thy works art thou!

Through thy great pow'r thy foes to thee shall be constrain'd to bow.

4 All on the earth shall worship thee, they shall thy praise proclaim In songs: they shall sing cheerfully unto thy holy name.

5 Come, and the works that God hath wrought with admiration see:

In's working to the sons of men most terrible is he.

6 Into dry land the sea he turn'd, and they a passage had; Ev'n marching through the flood on foot there we in him were glad.

7 He ruleth ever by his pow'r;
his eyes the nations see:

O let not the rebellious ones lift up themselves on high. 8 Ye people, bless our God; aloud the voice speak of his praise:

9 Our soul in life who safe preserves, our foot from sliding stays.

10 For thou didst prove and try us, Lord, as men do silver try;

as men do silver try;
11 Brought'st us into the net, and mad'st

bands on our loins to lie.

12 Thou hast cans'd men ride o'er our heads; and though that we did pass
Through fire and water, yet thou brought'st us to a wealthy place.

13 I'll bring burnt-off'rings to thy house;

to thee my vows I'll pay,

14 Which my lips utter'd, my mouth spake, when trouble on me lay.

15 Burnt-sacrifices of fat rams with incense I will bring; Of bullocks and of goats I will

present an offering.

16 All that fear God, come, hear, I'll tell what he did for my soul.

17 I with my mouth unto him cry'd, my tongue did him extol.

18 If in my heart I sin regard, the Lord me will not hear:

19 But surely God me heard, and to my prayer's voice gave ear.

20 O let the Lord, our gracious God, for ever blessed be,

Who turned not my pray'r from him, nor yet his grace from me.

## PSALM LXVII.

Here we have (1.) David's prayer for the church of Israel, ver. 1. (2.) His supplication for the comforting, and praise-producing spread of the Gospel among the Gentiles, ver. 2—5. (3.) His believing prospect of the divine blessings and true piety which should attend the same, ver. 6, 7.—¶ While I sing, let me request the salvation of Israel. Let me supplicate the gathering of the nations to Shiloh. Let me praise the Lord that already this great work is begun, and that the Lord, who is mighty, shall finish it in his time.

To the chief Musician, a Song or Psalm.

1 Lord, bless and pity us, shine on us with thy face:

2 That th' earth thy way, and nations all may know thy saving grace.

3 Let people praise thee, Lord; let people all thee praise.

4 O let the nations be glad, in songs their voices raise:

Thou'lt justly people judge, on earth rule nations all.

5 Let people praise thee, Lord; let them praise thee, both great and small.

6 The earth her fruit shall yield, our God shall blessing send.

7 God shall us bless; men shall him fear unto earth's utmost end.

## Another of the same.

I Lord, unto us be merciful, do thou us also bless; And graciously cause shine on us the brightness of thy face:

2 That so thy way upon the earth to all men may be known;
Also among the nations all thy saving health be shown.

3 O let the people praise thee, Lord; let people all thee praise.

4 O let the nations be glad, and sing for joy always: For rightly thou shalt people judge, and nations rule on earth.

5 Let people praise thee, Lord; let all the folk praise thee with mirth.

6 Then shall the earth yield her increase, God, our God, bless us shall.

7 God shall us bless; and of the earth the ends shall fear him all.

#### PSALM LXVIII.

Perhaps this Psalm was composed on the same occasion as the 24th and 47th, when David brought up the ark of God to that tabernacle which he had pitched for it in Zion, 2 Sam. vi. We have in it, (1.) Fervent supplications that God would scatter and defeat the projects of his enemies, ver. 1, 2. (2.) High praises to him for his infinite greatness and grace, his righteous relieving of the afflicted and oppressed, his directing of Israel in the Arabian desert, his manifesting of his glory at Sinai, his

comfortable providing for his people in the wilderness, and in Canaan, ver. 3-10: And for the easy conquest of their Canaanitish enemies, his fixing his temple on Mount Zion, and for the ascension of Christ to glory, to receive gifts for men, and for the spread of the gospel among Jews and Gentiles by means of the apostles,while the obstinate Jews are severely punished, ver. 11-32: And, in fine, for his supreme dominion, his awful majesty, his mighty power, and for the glory of his sanctuary, and the grace he bestows upon his people, ver. 33 -35. - While I sing, let me behold, let me admire, what God is, and hath done for and to my soul, and to the church of God, of which I am a member. Let me behold what God hath done, in instances unnumbered, in prosecution of the Covenant he made with his Eternal Son.

## To the chief Musician, a Psalm or Song of David.

Let God arise, and scattered
let all his enemies be:
 And let all those that do him hate
before his presence flee.

2 As smoke is driv'n, so drive thou them; as fire melts wax away,
Before God's face let wicked men
so perish and decay.

3 But let the righteous be glad: let them before God's sight Be very joyful; yea, let them rejoice with all their might.

4 To God sing, to his name sing praise; extol him with your voice,

That rides on heav'n, by his name JAH, before his face rejoice.

5 Because the Lord a father is unto the fatherless; God is the widow's judge, within his place of holiness.

6 God doth the solitary set in fam'lies; and from bands

The chain'd doth free; but rebels do inhabit parched lands.

7 O God, what time thou didst go forth before thy people's face; And when through the great wilderness

thy glorious marching was. 8 Then at God's presence shook the earth,

then drops from heaven fell; This Sinai shook before the Lord. the God of Israel.

9 O God, thou to thine heritage didst send a plenteous rain, Whereby thou, when it weary was,

didst it refresh again.

10 Thy congregation then did make their habitation there:

Of thine own goodness for the poor, O God, thou didst prepare.

11 The Lord himself did give the word, the word abroad did spread; Great was the company of them

the same who published.

12 Kings of great armies foiled were, and forc'd to flee away;

And women, who remain'd at home, did distribute the prey.

13 Though ye have lien among the pots, like doves ye shall appear,
Whose wings with silver, and with gold whose feathers covered are.

14 When there th' Almighty scatter'd kings, like Salmon's snow 'twas white.

15 God's hill is like to Bashan hill, like Bashan hill for height.

16 Why do ye leap, ye mountains high?
this is the hill where God
Desires to dwell; yea, God in it

for aye will make abode.

17 God's chariots twenty thousand are,

thousands of angels strong; In's holy place God is as in mount Sinai, them among.

18 Thou hast, O Lord, most glorious, ascended up on high;

And, in triumph victorious, led captive captivity:

Thou hast received gifts for men, for such as did rebel;

Yea, ev'n for them that God the Lord in midst of them might dwell.

19 Bless'd be the Lord, who is to us of our salvation God; Who daily with his benefits

us plenteously doth load.

20 He of salvation is the God,
who is our God most strong;
And unto God the Lord from death
the issues do belong.

21 But surely God shall wound the head of those that are his foes; The hairy scalp of him that still on in his trespass goes.

22 God said, My people I will bring again from Bashan hill;

Yea, from the sea's devouring depths them bring again I will;

23 That in the blood of enemies
thy foot imbru'd may be,
And of thy dogs dipp'd in the same
the tongues thou mayest see.

24 Thy goings they have seen, O God; the steps of majesty

Of my God, and my mighty King, within the sanctuary.

25 Before went singers, players next on instruments took way;

And them among the damsels were that did on timbrels play.

26 Within the congregations
bless God with one accord:
From Isr'el's fountain do ye bless

and praise the mighty Lord.

27 With their prince, little Benjamin, princes and council there Of Judah were, there Zabulon's and Napht'li's princes were. [strong 28 Thy God commands thy strength; make

what thou wrought'st for us, Lord.

29 For thy house at Jerusalem kings shall thee gifts afford.

30 The spearmen's host, the multitude of bulls, which fiercely look,

Those calves which people have forth sent, O Lord our God, rebuke.

Till ev'ry one submit himself,

and silver pieces bring:
The people that delight in war
disperse, O God and King.

31 Those that be princes great shall then
come out of Egypt lands;
And Ethiopia to God
shall soon stretch out her hands.

32 O all ye kingdoms of the earth, sing praises to this King; For he is Lord that ruleth all, unto him praises sing.

33 To him that rides on heav'ns of heav'ns, which he of old did found;

Lea he sends out his voice a voice.

Lo, he sends out his voice, a voice in might that doth abound.

34 Strength unto God do ye ascribe; for his excellency Is over Israel, his strength

is in the clouds most high.

35 Thou'rt from thy temple dreadful, Lord;
Isr'el's own God is he,

Who gives his people strength and pow'r. O let God blessed be.

#### PSALM LXIX.

This Psalm is much akin to the 22d, representing at once the troubles of David, and of David's Lord, and the glories which followed. We have in it, (1.) Bitter complaints of long and sore troubles, of the malice, and multitude of enemies, of the unkindness of friends, of general contempt, -and these mingled with candid acknowledgments of guilt, and with supplications for God's gracious audience and merciful deliverance, ver. 1-13. (2.) Pleas insisted on in these supplications, viz. the mercy and truth of God, the Psalmist's own great distress, the insolence and cruelty of his enemies, and the unkindness of his friends, ver. 14-21. (3.) Predictions of the ruin of David's, and especially of Christ's Jewish enemies :--importing that their sacrifices and their common food should be cursed to them, that they should be plagued with judicial blindness and wrathful disquiet, that they should be rendered public monuments of the vengeance of God. -having their church and state quite unhinged, and their land desolated, and, in fine, that their ruin should be increasing, and their recovery almost impossible, ver. 22 -28. (4.) Under a deep sense of his poverty and distress, David and his divine Son celebrate the high praises of God, and call others to praise him for the deliverances of Israel, but chiefly for the erection of the gospel church, and for the certain, though still future recalling of the Jews into the same, ver. 29-36. - While I sing, let me behold my Redeemer charged in law with my sins, and bearing the punishment thereof. Let me learn, with patience, to run the race of holy obedience and of necessary trials set before me, looking to Jesus as my pattern, and as the author and finisher of my faith. While I behold the tremendous severity of God's judgments against his ancient

people, for rejecting and murdering his Son, let me not be high-minded but fear.—Let me behold the grace of our Lord Jesus, who, though he was rich; yet for our sakes he became poor, that we through his poverty might be made rich.—And let me be a living and lively member of that church which is founded in his blood, and blessed in him, with all spiritual blessings.

To the chief Musician, upon Shoshannim, a Psalm of David.

1 Save me, O God, because the floods do so environ me,

That ev'n unto my very soul come in the waters be.

2 I downward in deep mire do sink, where standing there is none:

I am into deep waters come, where floods have o'er me gone.

3 I weary with my crying am, my throat is also dry'd; Mine eyes do fail, while for my God

I waiting do abide.

There man that do m

4 Those men that do without a cause bear hatred unto me,

Than are the hairs upon my head in number more they be:

They that would me destroy, and are mine en'mies wrongfully,

Are mighty: so what I took not, to render forc'd was I.

5 Lord, thou my folly know'st, my sins not cover'd are from thee.

- 6 Let none that wait on thee be sham'd, Lord God of hosts, for me.
  - O Lord, the God of Israel, let none who search do make,

And seek thee, be at any time confounded for my sake.

7 For I have borne reproach for thee, my face is hid with shame.

8 To brethren strange, to mother's sons an alien I became.

9 Because the zeal did eat me up, which to thine house I bear; And the reproaches cast at thee, upon me fallen are.

10 My tears and fasts, t'afflict my soul, were turned to my shame.

11 When sackcloth I did wear, to them a proverb I became.

12 The men that in the gate do sit against me evil spake;

They also that vile drunkards were of me their song did make.

13 But, in an acceptable time, my pray'r Lord, is to thee: In truth of thy salvation, Lord, and mercy great hear me.

14 Deliver me out of the mire, from sinking do me keep: Free me from those that do me hate, and from the waters deep. 15 Let not the flood on me prevail,
whose water overflows;
Nor deep me swallow, nor the pit
her mouth upon me close.

16 Hear me, O Lord, because thy love and kindness is most good;
Turn unto me, according to thy mercies' multitude.

17 Nor from thy servant hide thy face:
I'm troubled, soon attend.

18 Draw near my soul, and it redeem; me from my foes defend.

19 To thee is my reproach well known, my shame, and my disgrace:
Those that mine adversaries be are all before thy face.

20 Reproach hath broke my heart; I'm full of grief: I look'd for one
To pity me, but none I found;
comforters found I none.

21 They also bitter gall did give
unto me for my meat:
They gave me vinegar to drink,
when as my thirst was great.

22 Before them let their table prove a snare; and do thou make Their welfare and prosperity a trap themselves to take.

23 Let thou their eyes so darken'd be, that sight may them forsake; And let their loins be made by thee continually to shake.

24 Thy fury pour thou out on them, and indignation;

And let thy wrathful anger, Lord, fast hold take them upon.

25 All waste and desolate let be their habitation:And in their tabernacles all inhabitants be none.

26 Because him they do persecute, whom thou didst smite before; They talk unto the grief of those

whom thou hast wounded sore.

27 Add thou iniquity unto their former wickedness; And do not let them come at all

into thy righteousness.

28 Out of the book of life let them
be raz'd and blotted quite;

Among the just and righteous let not their names be writ.

29 But now become exceeding poor and sorrowful am I: By thy salvation, O my God, let me be set on high.

30 The name of God, I with a song most cheerfully will praise;

And I, in giving thanks to him, his name shall highly raise.

31 This to the Lord a sacrifice more gracious shall prove Than bullock, ox, or any beast that hath both horn and hoof.

32 When this the humble men shall see, it joy to them shall give:O all ye that do seek the Lord your hearts shall ever live.

33 For God the poor hears, and will not his prisoners contemn.

34 Let heav'n, and earth, and seas, him praise,

and all that move in them.

35 For God will Judah's cities build, and he will Sion save, That they may dwell therein, and it in sure possession have.

36 And they that are his servants' seed inherit shall the same;So shall they have their dwelling there that love his blessed name.

#### PSALM LXX.

This Psalm is much the same as the five last verses of the 40th. In it David prays (1.) For divine help to himself, ver. 1, 5. (2.) For shame and confusion to his enemies, ver. 2, 3. (3.) For joy and comfort to his friends, ver. 4.——¶ While I sing, let me apply it to my own troubled circumstances, and so, in a believing manner, bring them and the sinful causes thereof to my remembrance.

To the chief Musician, a Psalm of David, to bring to remembrance.

I Lord, haste me to deliver; with speed, Lord, succour me.

2 Let them that for my soul do seek sham'd and confounded be: Turn'd back be they, and sham'd,

that in my hurt delight.

3 Turn'd back be they, Ha, ha! that say,

their shaming to requite.

4 In thee let all be glad, and joy that seek for thee: Let them who thy salvation love say still, God praised be.

5 I poor and needy am; come, Lord, and make no stay: My help thou and deliv'rer art; O Lord, make no delay.

# Another of the same.

1 Make haste, O God, me to preserve; with speed, Lord, succour me.

2 Let them that for my soul do seek sham'd and confounded be:

Let them be turned back, and sham'd that in my hurt delight.

3 Turn'd back be they, Ha, ha! that say,

their shaming to requite.

4 O Lord, in thee let all be glad, and joy that seek for thee:

Let them who thy salvation love say still, God praised be.

5 But I both poor and needy am; come, Lord, and make no stay:
My help thou and deliver art;
O Lord, make no delay.

## PSALM LXXI.

This Psalm was probably penned on the occasion of Absalom's rebellion, as Psalm 3d, 42d, 43d, or of Sheba's conspiracy, 2 Sam. xx. And contains (1.) David's firm confidence in God, encouraged by manifold experiences of his gracious kindness, ver. 1, 3, 5, 6, 7. (2.) His fervent prayers, That he might never be ashamed, but might be delivered, might find rest in God, might have constant matter of new praises and thanksgivings afforded him, might not be forsaken of God, in his old age, and might have his numerous, powerful, and crafty enemies, confounded with shame and perplexity, ver. 1-13, 18. (3.) His confident and joyful expectations of God's further kindness, particularly that God would never forsake but revive him, that he would increase his honour and comfort, and put his enemies to shame. - Along herewith, he resolves, with admiring rapture, to extol God's righteousness and salvation, and his new covenant relation to himself, and to Israel, ver. 14-24.- While I sing, let me be affected with my troubles. Let me never stagger at the promise through unbelief, but be strong in the faith, giving glory to God.

O LORD, my hope and confidence is plac'd in thee alone;
Then let thy servant never be put to confusion.

2 And let me, in thy righteousness, from thee deliverance have:

Cause me escape, incline thine ear unto me, and me save.

3 Be thou my dwelling-rock, to which I ever may resort;

Thou gav'st commandment me to save, for thou'rt my rock and fort.

4 Free me, my God, from wicked hands, hands cruel and unjust:

5 For thou, O Lord God, art my hope, and from my youth my trust.

6 Thou from the womb didst hold me ap; thou art the same that me Out of my mother's bowels took;

I ever will praise thee.

7 To many I a wonder am; but thou'rt my refuge strong.

8 Fill'd let my mouth be with thy praise and honour all day long.

9 O do not cast me off, when as old age doth overtake me; And when my strength decayed is, then do not thou forsake me.

10 For those that are mine enemies against me speak with hate; And they together counsel take

that for my soul lay wait.

11 They said, God leaves him; him pursue and take: none will him save.

12 Be thou not far from me, my God: thy speedy help I crave.

13 Confound, consume them, that unto my soul are enemies:Cloth'd be they with reproach and shame that do my hurt devise.

14 But I with expectation will hope continually; And yet with praises more and more I will thee magnify.

15 Thy justice and salvation
my mouth abroad shall show,
Ev'n all the day; for I thereof
the numbers do not know.

16 And I will constantly go on in strength of God the Lord; And thine own righteousness, even thine alone I will record.

17 For even from my youth, O God, by thee I have been taught; And hitherto I have declar'd the wonders thou hast wrought.

18 And now, Lord, leave me not when I old and gray-headed grow:
Till to this age thy strength and pow' to all to come I show.

19 And thy most perfect righteousness,
O Lord, is very high,
Who has so great things done: O Go

Who has so great things done: O God, who is like unto thee?

who is like unto thee?

20 Thou, Lord, who great adversities, and sore, to me didst show,

Shalt quicken, and bring me again from depths of earth below.

21 My greatness and my pow'r thou wilt increase and far extend: On every side against all grief

thou wilt me comfort send.

22 Thee, ev'n thy truth, I'll also praise, my God, with psaltery: Thou Holy One of Israel, with harp I'll sing to thee.

23 My lips shall much rejoice in thee, when I thy praises sound; My soul, which thou redeemed hast, in joy shall much abound,

24 My tongue thy justice shall proclaim, continuing all day long;

For they confounded are, and sham'd that seek to do me wrong.

### PSALM LXXII.

This Psalm was composed by David, about the time of Solomon's instalment in the throne of Israel, 1 Kings i. and ii. With respect to him, here is (1.) Fervent prayer for proper qualifications to furnish him for government. ver. 1. (2.) Predictions of the peace, glory, extent, wealth, duration, and happiness of his government, ver. 2—17. (3.) Praises to the God of Israel for his mercies to his people, ver. 18, 19.—But as our Redeemer is principally intended, we have concerning him, (1.) His receiving of the Holy Ghost, above measure, to qualify him for his work, ver. 1. (2.) The glories of his government; how righteous! how prudent! how orderly! how condescending! and merciful! how destructive to oppressors! how efficaciously productive of real religion! and

how comfortable to his faithful subjects his administrations are! ver. 2—9. How extensive his church, among all ranks and nations! how tender his care of the meanest of his subjects! how much he is revered and adored by them! how astonishing their increase by means of his gospel-truth preached! and how permanent and useful his government! ver. 10—17, 5. (3.) A solemn ascription of all the praise of these wonderful works to God alone, with an earnest request and believing expectation, that his glory shall fill the whole earth, ver. 18, 19.——
¶ While I sing these lofty notes of the dying Psalmist, let me admire, let me adore, let me sing praises to Jesus my King. Let me rejoice in his highness, and in his extensive usefulness to men.

# A Psalm for Solomon.

1 O LORD, thy judgments give the king, his son thy righteousness.

2 With right he shall thy people judge,

thy poor with uprightness.

3 The lofty mountains shall bring forth unto the people peace;
Likewise the little hills the same

shall do by righteousness.

4 The people's poor ones he shall judge the needy's children save; And those shall he in pieces break

who them oppressed have.

They shall thee fear, while sun and moon

do last, through ages all.

6 Like rain on mown grass he shall drop, or show'rs on earth that fall.

7 The just shall flourish in his days, and prosper in his reign:

He shall, while doth the moon endure, abundant peace maintain.

8 His large and great dominion shall from sea to sea extend:

It from the river shall reach forth unto earth's utmost end.

9 They in the wilderness that dwell bow down before him must; And they that are his enemies shall lick the very dust.

10 The kings of Tarshish, and the isles, to him shall presents bring; And unto him shall offer gifts Sheba's and Seba's king.

11 Yea, all the mighty kings on earth before him down shall fall; And all the nations of the world do service to him shall.

12 For he the needy shall preserve, when he to him doth call;
The poor also, and him that hath

no help of man at all.

13 The poor man and the indigent in mercy he shall spare;
He shall preserve alive the souls of those that needy are.

14 Both from deceit and violence their soul he shall set free; And in his sight right precious and dear their blood shall be. 15 Yea, he shall live, and giv'n to him shall be of Sheba's gold:
For him still shall they pray, and he shall daily be extoll'd.

16 Of corn an handful in the earth on tops of mountains high,

With prosp'rous fruit shall shake, like on Lebanon that be. [trees

The city shall be flourishing, her citizens abound

In numbers shall, like to the grass that grows upon the ground.

17 His name for ever shall endure;last like the sun it shall:Men shall be bless'd in him, and bless'd

all nations shall him call.

18 Now blessed be the Lord our God, the God of Israel, For he alone doth wondrous works, in glory that excel.

19 And blessed be his glorious name to all eternity:

The whole earth let his glory fill. Amen, so let it be.

The Prayers of David, the son of Jesse, are ended.

### PSALM LXXIII.

This Psalm, and the ten following, are called Psalms of Asaph; but whether, because he composed most of them, or because he led the music in singing them, is not altogether certain. Here we have (1.) The great

foundation of all religion, viz. the goodness of God to his people strongly asserted, ver. 1. (2.) The Psalmist's faith fearfully shaken by the consideration of the freedom, prosperity, plenty, and peaceful-like death of the wicked, -which rendered them proud, oppressive, insolent, atheistical, and profane, while himself was in a manner consigned to nothing but trouble, ver. 2-13. (3) The temptation, when it had reduced him to the brink of Atheism, is broken by a discovery of the connected purposes and providences of God, in his word and ordinances, ver. 14-20. (4.) His improvement of his fall and recovery, to promote a deep sense of his own meanness, ignorance, and folly; -a complete dependence on God as his Guide, a cleaving to him as his Portion, infinitely preferable to every thing else; -without whom one is necessarily miserable, and in the enjoyment of whom he is assured of happiness, and excited to praise and thanksgiving, ver. 21-28.- While I sing, let me remember my own weakness and folly; let me receive instruction in duty. Let me cleave to God as my portion, and resolve to draw my light and comfort from the cracles of his mouth, and ordinances of his grace.

# A Psalm of Asaph.

1 YET God is good to Israel, to each pure-hearted one.

2 But as for me, my steps near slipp'd, my feet were almost gone.

3 For I envious was, and grudg'd the foolish folk to see,

When I perceiv'd the wicked sort enjoy prosperity.

4 For still their strength continueth firm; their death of bands is free.

5 They are not toil'd like other men, nor plagu'd, as others be.

6 Therefore their pride, like to a chain, them compasseth about;

And, as a garment, violence doth cover them throughout.

7 Their eyes stand out with fat; they have more than their hearts could wish.

8 They are corrupt; their talk of wrong

both lewd and lofty is.

9 They set their mouth against the heav'ns in their blasphemous talk; And their reproaching tongue throughout

the earth at large doth walk.

10 His people often times for this look back, and turn about; Sith waters of so full a cup to these are poured out.

11 And thus they say, How can it be that God these things doth know?

Or, Can there in the Highest be knowledge of things below?

12 Behold, these are the wicked ones, yet prosper at their will In worldlythings; they do increase

in wealth and riches still

13 I verily have done in vain

my heart to purify;
To no effect in innocence
washed my hands have I.

14 For daily, and all day throughout, great plagues I suffer d have;

Yea, ev'ry morning I of new did chastisement receive.

15 If in this manner foolishly
to speak I would intend,
Thy children's generation,
behold, I should offend.

16 When I this thought to know, it was too hard a thing for me;

17 Till to God's sanctuary I went, then I their end did see.

18 Assuredly thou didst them set a slipp'ry place upon; Them suddenly thou castedst down into destruction.

19 How in a moment suddenly to ruin brought are they! With fearful terrors utterly they are consum'd away.

20 Ev'n like unto a dream, when one from sleeping doth arise; So thou, O Lord, when thou awak'st, their image shalt despise.

21 Thus grieved was my heart in me, and me my reins opprest:

22 So rude was I, and ignorant, and in thy sight a beast.

23 Nevertheless continually,
O Lord, I am with thee:
Thou dost me hold by my right hand,
and still upholdest me.

24 Thou, with thy counsel, while I live, wilt me conduct and guide;
And to thy glory afterward
receive me to abide.

95 Whom have I in the heavens high but thee, O Lord, alone? And in the earth whom I desire besides thee there is none.

26 My flesh and heart doth faint and fail, but God doth fail me never:
For of my heart God is the strength and portion for ever.

27 For, lo, they that are far from thee for ever perish shall;

Them that a whoring from thee go

thou hast destroyed all.

28 But surely it is good for me that I draw near to God:
In God I trust, that all thy works
I may declare abroad.

#### PSALM LXXIV.

This Psalm relates to the destruction of the city and temple of Jerusalem by the Chaldeans, or to some similar disaster. In it, we have (1.) The Church's bitter complaints of God's displeasure, of the outrage of their enemies, and of the apparent hopelessness of their case, ver. 1—11. (2.) Strong and heart encouraging pleadings with God, upon the account of his relation to them, and of the great things he had done for them,—and that he was at once their God and the God of nature,—that therefore he would remember to execute just vengeance upon his sworn enemies, and grant help and relief to his

covenant people, ver. 12—23——¶ While I sing this, let me admire the sovereignty and holiness of God, in so severely correcting his own people. And let the broken, the deserted condition of the Church, in this land, deeply affect my heart, and excite mine earnest prayers for her restoration.

# Maschil of Asaph.

1 O God, why hast thou cast us off? is it for evermore?

Against thy pasture-sheep why doth thine anger smoke so sore?

2 O call to thy rememberance thy congregation,

Which thou hast purchased of old; still think the same upon:

The rod of thine inheritance, which thou redeemed hast.

This Sion hill, wherein thou hadst thy dwelling in times past.

3 To these long desolations thy feet lift, do not tarry; For all the ills thy foes have done within thy sanctuary.

4 Amidst thy congregations
thine enemies do roar:
Their ensigns they set up for signs

of triumph thee before.

5 A man was famous, and was had in estimation, According as he lifted up

his axe thick trees upon.

6 But all at once with axes now and hammers they go to,
And down the carved work thereof they break, and quite undo.

7 They fir'd have thy sanctuary, and have defil'd the same, By casting down unto the ground the place where dwelt thy name.

8 Thus said they in their hearts, Let us destroy them out of hand:

They burnt up all the synagoguer of God within the land.

Our signs we do not now behold;
 there is not us among
 A prophet more, nor any one
 that knows the time how long.

10 How long, Lord, shall the enemy thus in reproach exclaim? And shall the adversary thus always blaspheme thy name?

always blaspheme thy name?

If Thy hand, even thy right hand of night, why dost thou thus draw back?

O from thy bosom pluck it out for our deliverance sake.

12 For certainly God is my King, ev'n from the times of old, Working in midst of all the earth salvation manifold.

13 The sea, by thy great pow'r to part asunder thou didst make;

And thou the dragons' heads, O Lord, within the waters brake.

14 The leviathan's head thou brak'st in pieces, and didst give Him to be meat unto the folk

in wilderness that live.

15 Thou clav'st the fountain and the flood, which did with streams abound:

Thou dry'dst the mighty waters up unto the very ground.

16 Thine only is the day, O Lord, thine also is the night; And thou alone prepared hast the sun and shining light.

17 By thee the borders of the earth
were settled ev'ry where:
The summer and the winter both

The summer and the winter both by thee created were.

18 That th' enemy reproached hath, O keep it in record; And that the foolish people have

blasphem'd thy name, O Lord.

19 Unto the multitude do not

thy turtle's soul deliver:
The congregation of thy poor
de not forget for ever.

20 Unto thy covenant have respect; for earth's dark places be Full of the habitations of horrid cruelty.

21 O let not those that be oppress'd return again with shame:

Let those that poor and needy are give praise unto thy name.

22 Do thou, O God, arise and plead the cause that is thine own: Remember how thou art reproach'd still by the foolish one.

23 Do not forget the voice of those that are mine enemies:

Of those the tumult ever grows that do against thee rise.

### PSALM LXXV.

Here (1.) David returns thanks to God for advancing him to the throne of Israel, and resolves to act for the public welfare, ver 1—3, 9, 10. (2) He rebukes the insolence of such as opposed his advancement, which sprung from the sovereign disposal of God, the Judge of the world; and denounceth their destruction, ver. 4—3. ——¶ While I sing, let me think of Jesus, whom God hath crowned with glory and honour, and of the infinite danger of opposing his government. And if he exalt me to the spiritual honours of his kingdom, let it be my care to glorify him, and to profit his people.

To the chief Musician, Al-taschith, a Psalm or Song of Asaph.

I To thee, O God, do we give thanks, we do give thanks to thee; Because thy wondrous works declare thy great name near to be. 2 I purpose, when I shall receive the congregation, That I shall judgment uprightly render to every one.

3 Dissolved is the land, with all that in the same do dwell; But I the pillars thereof do bear up and stablish well.

4 I to the foolish people said,
Do not deal foolishly;
And unto those that wicked are,
Lift not your horn on high.

5 Lift not your horn on high, nor speak

6 with stubborn neck. But know,
That not from east, nor west, nor south,
promotion doth flow.

7 But God is judge; he puts down one,

and sets another up.

8 For in the hand of God most high of red wine is a cup.

'Tis full of mixture, he pours forth, and makes the wicked all Wring out the bitter dregs thereof; yea, and they drink them shall.

9 But I for ever will declare, I Jacob's God will praise.

10 All horns of lewd men I'll cut off; but just men's horns will raise.

This Psalm is near akin to the 48th, and was penned on the occasion of some remarkable victory; but whether in the days of David, Asa, Jehoshaphat, or Hezekiah, 2 Chron, xiv. xx. xxxii is uncertain. We have in it, (1.) Encouraging congratulations of the Church's happiness in having God so manifested in her, and so near unto her, and in his having his power so employed in her behalf to the advancement of his own glory, and the destruction of her enemies, ver. 1-6. (2.) Important instructions how to improve this victory, to the terror of enemies, the comfort of saints, and the excitement of all to vow to God, and to obey and revere Him, ver. 7-12 -- T While I sing this, let my soul bless the Lord that my lot hath been alway cast in a land of gospel-light. Let me, with thankful heart, remember what He hath done for this church and land, and give Him the praise for every deliverance. Let me never fear the rage of men; but in every danger and doubt commit my way to God, that he may bring it to pass.

To the chief Musician, on Neginoth, a Psalm or Song of Asaph.

1 In Judah's land God is well known, his name's in Isr'el great:

2 In Salem is his tabernacle, in Sion is his seat.

3 There arrows of the bow he brake, the shield, the sword, the war.

4 More glorious thou than hills of prey,

more excellent art far.

5 Those that were stout of heart are spoil'd, they slept their sleep outright; And none of those their hands did find, that were the men of might.

6 When thy rebuke, O Jacob's God, had forth against them past,

Their horses and their chariots both were in a deep sleep cast.

7 Thou, Lord, ev'n thou art he that should be fear'd; and who is he

That may stand up before thy sight, if once thou angry be?

8 From heav'n thou judgment caus'd be the earth was still with fear, [heard;

9 When God to judgment rose, to save all meek on earth that were.

10 Surely the very wrath of man unto thy praise redounds:
Thou to the remnant of his wrath wilt set restraining bounds.

11 Vow to the Lord your God, and pay:
all ye that near him be,
Bring gifts and presents unto him;
for to be fear'd is he.

12 By him the sp'rits shall be cut off of those that princes are: Unto the kings that are on earth he fearful doth appear.

### PSALM LXXVII.

This Psalm relates to (1.) A most afflicted case, in which are remarkable, fervent, and incessant prayers, agonizing restlessness, heart-overwhelming meditations, melancholy fears, and almost desperate outcries concerning God, ver. 1—9. (2.) The effectual cure of this mournful case, by serious meditation on, and solemn acknowledgment of the power, greatness, and grace of God, as our God; and of the holiness and mysteriousness of

his providential conduct, particularly in bringing Israel out of Egypt, and in leading them through the wilderness to the promised land, ver. 10—20.—¶ While I sing, let me stand in awe of that God who so chastiseth his favourite saints: Let me sympathize with men of wounded spirits. If my soul is overwhelmed within me, let me call to mind the gracious character and great works of my God, for his church, or for my soul.

To the chief Musician, to Jeduthun, a Psalm of Asaph.

I Unto the Lord I with my voice,
I unto God did cry;
Ev'n with my voice, and unto me
his ear he did apply.

2 I in my trouble sought the Lord, my sore by night did run,

And ceased not; my grieved soul did consolation shun.

3 I to remembrance God did call, yet trouble did remain; And overwhelm'd my spirit was, whilst I did sore complain.

4 Mine eyes debarr'd from rest and sleep, thou makest still to wake; My trouble is so great that I unable am to speak.

5 The days of old to mind I call'd, and oft did think upon The times and ages that are past full many years agone.

6 By night my song I call to mind, and commune with my heart;

My sp'rit did carefully enquire how I might ease my smart.

7 For ever will the Lord cast off, and gracious be no more?

8 For ever is his mercy gone? fails his word evermore?

9 Is't true that to be gracious the Lord forgotten hath; And that his tender mercies he hath shut up in his wrath?

10 Then did I say, That surely this is mine infirmity:

I'll mind the years of the right hand of him that is most High.

11 Yea, I remember will the works performed by the Lord:

The wonders done of old by thee I surely will record.

12 I also will of all thy works
my meditation make;
And of thy doings to discourse

great pleasure I will take.

13 O God, thy way most holy is within thy sanctuary; And what God is so great in pow'r

as is our God most high?

14 Thou art the God that wonders do'st by thy right hand most strong: Thy mighty pow'r thou hast declar'd the nations among. 15 To thine own people with thine arm thou did'st redemption bring;
To Jacob's sons, and to the tribes of Joseph that do spring.

16 The waters, Lord, perceived thee, the waters saw thee well; And they for fear aside did flee; the depths on trembling fell.

17 The clouds in water forth were pour'd, sound loudly did the sky;
And swiftly through the world abroad

thine arrows fierce did fly.

18 Thy thunder's voice alongst the heav'n a mighty noise did make;
By light'nings lighten'd was the world th' earth tremble did and shake.

19 Thy way is in the sea, and in the waters great thy path; Yet are thy footsteps hid, O Lord; none knowledge thereof hath.

20 Thy people thou didst safely lead, like to a flock of sheep; By Moses' hand and Aaron's thou didst them conduct and keep.

#### PSALM LXXVIII.

This Psalm is a brief but instructive history of the transactions between Israel and their God, for about four hundred and eighty years, from Moses to David. Here is, (1.) The introduction, containing a solemn call to an attentive consideration of God's words and works, in order to a faithful transmitting of the knowledge thereof

to posterity, that they might set their hope in God, and reform from their fathers' wickedness, ver. 1-8 (2) The history itself, in which are exhibited, (1.) God's fayours to Israel before their settlement in Canaan, in plaguing the Egyptians, in dividing the Red Sea, in giving them water from the rock, and manna from heaven, in bringing them into Canaan, notwithstanding of their unnumbered provocations, particularly their forgetfulness of his mighty works, their ingratitude for his favours, their murmuring against his trying dispensations, their eagerness to satiate their lusts with his benefits, their impenitent obduracy, or hypocritical repentance under his rebukes, ver. 9-55. (2.) Their ingratitude, treachery, and idolatry, after their entrance into Canaan; -with God's righteous resentment thereof, in removing his tabernacle from Shiloh, and in delivering up his ark and people into the hand of the Philistines, ver. 56-64. (3.) God's merciful return to them, in obliging the Philistines by the plague of emrods, to restore his ark, and in. at length, providing an habitation for it at Jerusalem, and in raising up and qualifying David, a descendant of Judah, to govern them in a manner both honourable and happy, ver. 65-72. These things are more largely recorded in the books of Exodus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, Joshua, Judges, 1st and 2d Samuels, and part of 1st Kings .- While I sing them, let me with grief and shame remember my own and my fathers' transgressions against the Lord. Let me adore the infinite patience. power, and mercy, holiness and equity of God. Let me bless his holy name, for the multitude of his undeserved favours towards me, and towards the Church. And though he cause grief, let me hope, That in due time, he will have compassion.

## Maschil of Asaph.

1 ATTEND, my people to my law; thereto give thou an ear; The words that from my mouth proceed attentively do hear. 2 My mouth shall speak a parable, and sayings dark of old;

3 The same which we have heard and known, and us our fathers told.

4 We also will them not conceal from their posterity;

Them to the generation to come declare will we:

The praises of the Lord our God, and his almighty strength,

The wond'rous works that he hath done, we will shew forth at length.

5 His testimony and his law in Isr'el he did place, And charg'd our fathers it to show to their succeeding race;

6 That so the race which was to come might well them learn and know;

And sons unborn, who should arise, might to their sons them show:

7 That they might set their hope in God, and suffer not to fall
His mighty works out of their mind, but keep his precepts all:

8 And might not, like their fathers, be a stiff rebellious race;

A race not right in heart; with God whose sp'rit not stedfast was.

9 The sons of Ephraim, who nor bows nor other arms did lack,

When as the day of battle was, they faintly turned back.

10 They brake God's cov'nant, and refus'd in his commands to go;

11 His works and wonders they forgot, which he to them did show.

12 Things marvellous he brought to pass; their fathers them beheld Within the land of Egypt done,

yea, ev'n in Zoan's field.

13 By him divided was the sea, he caus'd them through to pass; And made the waters so to stand, as like an heap it was.

14 With cloud by day, with light of fire all night he did them guide.

15 In desert rocks he clave, and drink, as from great depths supply'd.

16 He from the rock brought streams, like made waters to run down. [floods

17 Yet sinning more, in desert they provok'd the highest One.

18 For in their heart they tempted God, and, speaking with mistrust,

They greedily did meat require to satisfy their lust.

19 Against the Lord himself they spake, and, murmuring, said thus,

A table in the wilderness can God prepare for us?

- 20 Behold, he smote the rock, and thence came streams and waters great;
  But can he give his people bread?
  and send them flesh to eat?
- 21 The Lord did hear, and waxed wroth; so kindled was a flame
  'Gainst Jacob, and 'gainst Israel
  up indignation came.
- 22 For they believ'd not God, nor trust in his salvation had;
- 23 Though clouds above he did command, and heav'n's doors open made,
- 24 And manna rain'd on them, and gave them corn of heav'n to eat.
- 25 Man angels' food did eat; to them he to the full sent meat.
- 26 And in the heaven he did cause an eastern wind to blow;
  And by his power he let out the southern wind to go.
- 27 Then flesh as thick as dust he made to rain down them among;

  And factboard former like as the same
  - And feather'd fowls, like as the sand which li'th the shore along.
- 28 At his command amidst their camp these show'rs of flesh down fell, All round about the tabernacles and tents where they did dwell.
- 29 So they did eat abundantly, and had of meat their fill;

For he did give them what was their own desire and will.

30 They from their lust had not estrang'd their heart and their desire;
But while the meat was in their mouths which they did so require,

31 God's wrath upon them came, and slew the fattest of them all;

So that the choice of Israel, o'erthrown by death did fall.

32 Yet, notwithstanding of all this,
they sinned still the more;
And tho' he had great wonders wrought,
believ'd him not therefore:

33 Wherefore their days in vanity he did consume and waste: And by his wrath their wretched years

away in trouble past.

34 But when he slew them, then they did to seek him shew desire;

Yea, they return'd and after God right early did enquire.

35 And that the Lord had been their Rock they did remember then;

Ev'n that the high almighty God had their Redeemer been.

36 Yet with their mouth they flatter'd him, and spake but feignedly;

And they unto the God of truth with their false tongues did lie.

- 37 For though their words were good, their with him was not sincere; [heart Unsteadfast and perfidious they in his cov'nant were.
- 38 But full of pity, he forgave their sin, them did not slay;
  Nor stirr'd up all his wrath, but oft his anger turn'd away.

39 For that they were but fading flesh to mind he did recall;
A wind that passeth soon away,

and not returns at all.

40 How often did they him provoke within the wilderness!

And in the desert did him grieve

And in the desert did him grieve with their rebelliousness!

41 Yea, turning back, they tempted God, and limits set upon
Him, who in midst of Isr'el is
the only Holy One.

42 They did not call to mind his power, nor yet the day when he Deliver'd them out of the hand of their fierce enemy;

43 Nor how great signs in Egypt land
he openly had wrought;
What mirroles in Zoen's fold

What miracles in Zoan's field his hand to pass had brought.

44 How lakes and rivers ev'ry where be turned into blood;

So that nor man nor beast could drink of standing lake or flood.

45 He brought among them swarms of flies, which did them sore annoy;

And divers kinds of filthy frogs he sent them to destroy.

46 He to the caterpillar gave

the fruits of all their soil;
Their labours he deliver'd up
unto the locusts' spoil.

47 Their vines with hail, their sycamores he with the frost did blast:

48 Their beasts to hail he gave; their flocks hot thunderbolts did waste.

49 Fierce burning wrath he on them cast, and indignation strong,

And troubles sore, by sending forth

ill angels them among.

50 He to his wrath made way; their soul from death he did not save;
But over to the pestilence
the lives of them he gave.

51 In Egypt land the first-born all
he smote down ev'ry where;
Among the tents of Ham, ev'n these
chief of their strength that were,

52 But his own people, like to sheep, thence to go forth he made;
And he, amidst the wilderness, them, as a flock, did lead.

53 And he them safely on did lead, so that they did not fear; Whereas their en'mies by the sea quite overwhelmed were.

54 To borders of his sanctuary the Lord his people led, Ev'n to the mount which his right hand, for them had purchased.

55 The nations of Canaan, by his almighty hand, Before their face he did expel out of their native land; Which for inheritance to them by line he did divide, And made the tribes of Israel within their tents abide.

56 Yet God most high they did provoke, and tempted ever still; And to observe his testimonies

did not incline their will:

57 But, like their fathers, turned back, and dealt unfaithfully: Aside they turned, like a bow that shoots deceitfully.

58 For they to anger did provoke him with their places high; And with their graven images mov'd him to jealousy.

59 When God heard this he waxed wroth.

and much loath'd Isr'el then:

60 So Shiloh's tent he left, the tent which he had plac'd with men.

61 And he his strength delivered into captivity;

He left his glory in the hand

of his proud enemy.

62 His people also he gave o'er unto the sword's fierce rage:

So sore his wrath enflamed was against his heritage.

63 The fire consumed their choice young men; their maids no marriage had;

64 And when their priests fell by the sword, their wives no mourning made.

65 But then the Lord arose, as one that doth from sleep awake;
And like a giant that, by wine refresh'd, a shout doth make;

66 Upon his en'mies' hinder parts
he made his stroke to fall;
And so upon them he did put
a shame perpetual.

67 Moreover he the tabernacle
of Joseph did refuse;
The mighty tribe of Ephraim
he would in no wise choose.

68 But he did choose Jehudah's tribe to be the rest above;
And of mount Sion he made choice,
which he so much did love.

- 69 And he his sanctuary built
  like to a palace high,
  Like to the earth which he did found
  to perpetuity.
- 70 Of David, that his servant was, he also choice did make, And even from the folds of sheep was pleased him to take:

71 From waiting on the ewes with young, he brought him forth to feed Israel, his inheritance, his people, Jacob's seed.

72 So after the integrity he of his heart them fed; And by the good skill of his hands them wisely governed.

### PSALM LXXIX.

This Psalm relates to the havock made of the Jewish capital and nation by the Chaldeans and Syrogrecians, as typical of the afflictions of the gospel church. Observe, (1.) How deplorable the condition of these people of God was, when their enemies raged against their dwellings, persons, and characters; and their God himself long continued the tokens of his just displeasure, ver. 1—5. (2.) Their humble but fervent supplications, for the just punishment of their heathen enemies, and for divine pity, pardon, and help, for themselves, ver. 6—12. (3.) The pleas wherewith they enforce their requests, viz. God's relation to them, as their God and Shepherd, and the tendency of what they asked to promote the declarative glory of his name, ver. 1, 6, 9, 10, 13.——¶ While I sing, let my soul have a deep sympathy with the afflicted

members of Christ: Let me bless his holy name, that I am not in similar circumstances. Let me lay before the Lord the spiritual injuries which Satan and my lusts have done to my soul, and to the church of God; and let me cry bitterly for his merciful rising up to destroy them, and to shew me his salvation.

# A Psalm of Asaph.

1 O Gop, the heathen enter'd have thine heritage; by them Defiled is thy house: on heaps they laid Jerusalem.

2 The bodies of thy servants they
have cast forth to be meat
To rav'nous fowls; thy dear saints' flesh
they gave to beasts to eat.

3 Their blood about Jerusalem like water they have shed;
And there was none to bury them when they were slain and dead.

4 Unto our neighbours a reproach
most base become are we;
A scorn and laughing stock to them
that round about us be.

5 How long, Lord, shall thine anger last? wilt thou still keep the same? And shall thy fervent jealousy burn like unto a flame?

6 On heathen pour thy fury forth that have thee never known,

And on those kingdoms which thy name have never call'd upon.

 7 For these are they who Jacob have devoured cruelly;
 And they his habitation

have caused waste to lie.

& Against us mind not former sins; thy tender mercies show; Let them prevent us speedily, for we're brought very low.

9 For thy name's glory, help us, Lord, who hast our saviour been:
Deliver us, for thy name's sake,

O purge away our sin.

10 Why say the heathen, Where's their God? let him to them be known; When those who shed thy servants' blood are in our sight o'erthrown.

11 O let the pris'ner's sighs ascend before thy sight on high: Preserve those in thy mighty pow'r that are design'd to die.

12 And to our neighbours' bosom cause

it seven-fold render'd be,

Ev'n the reproach wherewith they have,

O Lord, reproached thee.

13 So we thy folk, and pasture-sheep, shall give thee thanks always;
And unto generations all we will shew forth thy praise.

This Psalm relates to the distressed condition of the Hebrew church and nation, perhaps during the Syrian, Assyrian, or Chaldean invasions, 2 Kings xii, xiii, xv, xvii, xviii, xix, xxiv, xxv. Here are, (1.) Earnest supplications, for God's special presence and favour, ver. 1-3, 7, 19. (2.) Mournful complaints of the lasting appearances of God's anger, of the overflowings of their grief, of abuse and derision by their neighbours, and of the unhinging of their constitution, which God himself had fixed, when he brought them out of Egypt, ver. 4-13. (3.) Further supplications, that God would consider and pity his vineyard, their church and nation, assist their King, his vine dresser, and convert them to, and quicken them in his service, ver. 14-19- While I sing, let me be affected with the distresses of God's church. Let me pant for the fullest manifestations of his glory, and the blessings of his presence. Let me insist, That his Spirit may glorify Jesus Christ, the great Man of his right hand, in taking what is his, and shewing it unto me.

To the chief Musician, upon Shoshannim, Eduth, a Psalm of Asaph.

1 HEAR, Isr'el's Shepherd! like a flock thou that dost Joseph guide; Shine forth, O thou that dost between the cherubims abide.

2 In Ephraim's and Benjamin's, and in Manasseh's sight,O come for our salvation;

stir up thy strength and might.

3 Turn us again, O Lord our God, and upon us vouchsafe To make thy countenance to shine, and so we shall be safe. 4 O Lord of hosts, almighty God, how long shall kindled be Thy wrath against the prayer made

by thine own folk to thee?
5 Thou tears of sorrow giv'st to them instead of bread to eat;

Yea, tears instead of drink thou giv'st to them in measure great.

to them in measure great.
6 Thou makest us a strife unto

our neighbours round about; Our enemies among themselves at us do laugh and flout.

7 Turn us again, O God of hosts, and upon us vouchsafe To make thy countenance to shine,

and so we shall be safe.

8 A vine from Egypt brought thou hast, by thine outstretched hand;

And thou the heathen out didst cast, to plant it in their land.

9 Before it thou a room didst make, where it might grow and stand; Thou causedst it deep root to take,

and it did fill the land.

10 The mountains vail'd were with its shade,

as with a covering;

Like goodly cedars were the boughs which out from it did spring.

11 Upon the one hand to the sea her boughs she did out send; On th'other side unto the flood her branches did extend.

12 Why hast thou then thus broken down and ta'en her hedge away?

So that all passengers do pluck and make of her a prey.

13 The boar who from the forest comes doth waste it at his pleasure;
The wild beast of the field also devours it out of measure.

14 O God of hosts, we thee beseech,
return now unto thine;
Look down from heav'n in love, behold,
and visit this thy vine:

15 This yineyard, which thine own right hand hath planted us among;

And that same branch which for thyself thou hast made to be strong.

16 Burnt up it is with flaming fire, it also is cut down:

They utterly are perished

They utterly are perished when as thy face doth frown.

17 O let thy hand be still upon the Man of thy right hand, The Son of man, whom for thyself thou madest strong to stand.

18 So henceforth we will not go back, nor turn from thee at all:

O do thou quicken us, and we upon thy name will call.

19 Turn us again, Lord God of hosts, and upon us vouchsafe To make thy countenance to shine, and so we shall be safe.

#### PSALM LXXXI.

This Psalm was probably composed for the feast of Trumpets, on the first day of the 7th month, Lev. xxiii. 24. Here are, (1.) Solemn exhortations to praise God, for what he is to his people, and for what he had done for them, ver. 1—7. (2.) Instructions concerning God's new covenant-grant of himself, and his benefits to men, and their ungrateful refusal thereof, and the misery they incur, and happiness they loose thereby, ver. 8—16.——¶ While I sing, let my soul consider, what God is to, hath done for, and given to Men,—to Me;—and let all my inward powers stedfastly believe his declarations, and eagerly embrace his offers. Let my heart be filled with grief, that ever I refused to hear my own gracious God speaking from heaven, and offering to Me, all the unsearchable riches of Christ.

# To the chief Musician, upon Gittith, a Psalm of Asaph.

1 Sing loud to God our strength; with joy to Jacob's God do sing.

2 Take up a psalm, the pleasant harp, timbrel and psalt'ry bring.

3 Blow trumpets at new-moon, what day our feast appointed is:

4 For charge to Isr'el, and a law of Jacob's God was this.

5 To Joseph this a testimony he made, when Egypt land He travell'd through, where speech I heard I did not understand.

6 His shoulder I from burdens took, his hands from pots did free.

7 Thou didst in trouble on me call, and I deliver'd thee:

In secret place of thundering
I did thee answer make;
And at the streams of Meribah
of thee a proof did take.

8 O thou, my people, give an ear,
I'll testify to thee;
To thee, O Isr'el, if thou wilt
but hearken unto me.

9 In midst of thee there shall not be any strange god at all; Nor unto any god unknown thou bowing down shalt fall.

10 I am the Lord thy God, which did from Egypt land thee guide; I'll fill thy mouth abundantly, do thou it open wide.

11 But yet my people to my voice
would not attentive be;
And ev'n my chosen Israel
he would have none of me.

12 So to the lust of their own hearts
I them delivered;
And then in counsels of their own
they vainly wandered.

13 O that my people had me heard. Isr'el my ways had chose!

14 I had their en'mies soon subdu'd, my hand turn'd on their foes.

15 The haters of the Lord to him submission should have feign'd; But as for them, their time should have for evermore remain'd.

16 He should have also fed them with the finest of the wheat; Of honey from the rock thy fill I should have made thee eat.

#### PSALM LXXXII.

This Psalm was probably penned for the direction and warning of the Jewish courts of judicature. It represents, (1.) The dignity of magistrates, and their dependence on God, as their sovereign Governor and Judge, ver. 1, 6. (2.) Their duty, ver. 3, 4. (3.) Their too frequent degeneracy and mischievousness, and the just punishment thereof, ver. 2, 5, 7. (4.) The saints' request for the establishment of God's kingdom in the world, ver. 8 .-- While I sing, let me stand in awe of JEHOVAH'S authority and presence. Let me remember, I must be answerable to him for all my conduct. Let me be affected with my meanness and corruption. Let me revere magistrates as the deputies of God on earth. And in every station, in which God placeth me, let my care be, in all things, to live honestly, and to cry mightily, that the kingdoms of this world may be quickly made the kingdoms of my Lord and of his Christ.

## A Psalm of Asaph.

1 In god's assembly God doth stand; he judgeth gods among.

2 How long, accepting persons vile, will ye give judgment wrong?

3 Defend the poor and fatherless; to poor oppress'd do right.

4 The poor and needy ones set free; rid them from ill men's might.

5 They know not, nor will understand; in darkness they walk on:

All the foundations of the earth out of their course are gone.

6 I said that ye are gods, and are sons of the Highest all:

7 But ye shall die like men, and as one of the princes fall.

8 O God, do thou raise up thyself, the earth to judgment call: For thou, as thine inheritance, shalt take the nations all.

#### PSALM LXXXIII.

This Psalm relates to some combination of the Heattens around, against the Hebrews, either in the days of David, 2 Sam. viii. or x.; or of Jehoshaphat, 2 Chron. xx. And contains, (1.) A solemn remonstrance to God, concerning their malicious designs against his church and honour, ver. 1—8. (2.) Fervent supplications to God, that he would defeat these attempts, protect and preserve his church, humble his enemies, and glorify himself in the world, ver. 9—18.——¶ While I sing, let me be affected with the inward combinations of my own lusts, with Satan and the world, and with the joint endeavours of open enemies and naughty professors, against the church and interests of Christ;—and commit the cause to God, who judgeth righteously.

## A Song or Psalm of Asaph.

- 1 KEEP not, O God, we thee entreat,
  O keep not silence now:
  Do thou not hold thy peace, O God,
  and still no more be thou.
- 2 For, lo, thine enemies a noise tumultuously have made; And they that haters are of thee have lifted up the head.
- 3 Against thy chosen people they
  do crafty counsel take;
  And they against thy hidden ones
  do consultations make.
- 4 Come, let us cut them off, said they, from being a nation,
  That of the name of Isr'el may no more be mention.
- 5 For with joint heart they plot, in league against thee they combine.
  - 6 The tents of Edom, Ishm'elites, Moab's and Hagar's line;
  - 7 Gebal, and Ammon, Amalek, Philistines, those of Tyre;
- 8 And Assur join'd with them, to help Lot's children they conspire.
- 9 Do to them as to Midian, Jabin at Kison strand;
- 10 And Sis'ra, which at En-dor fell, as dung to fat the land.

- 11 Like Oreb and like Zeeb make their noble men to fall; Like Zeba and Zalmunna like make thou their princes all:
- 12 Who said, For our possession let us God's houses take.
- 13 My God, them like a wheel, as chaff before the wind, them make.
- 14 As fire consumes the wood, as flame doth mountains set on fire,
- 15 Chase and affright them with the storm and tempest of thine ire.
- 16 Their faces fill with shame, O Lord, that they may seek thy name.
- 17. Let them confounded be, and vex'd, and perish in their shame:
- 18 That men may know that thou, to whom alone doth appertain,

The name JEHOVAH, dost most high o'er all the earth remain.

#### PSALM LXXXIV.

This Psalm is much akin to Psalm 27th, 42d, 43d, and 63d, and might be composed on the same occasion with the former, when David was banished from Jerusalem, by Absalom his son, 2 Sam. xv. xvi. We have here, (1.) David's ardent affection towards the public ordinances of God, and sense of their happiness who enjoyed them, ver. 1—7, 10. (2.) His heart-burning desire to the God of ordinances, ver. 8, 9. (3.) His assured faith of God's kindness, and persuasion of the happiness of such as trust in him, ver. 11, 12.—¶ So let my heart

cry out for God, the living God. So let me covet earnestly intimate fellowship with him, in his ordinances. So let me praise his name, and hold on in his way, till I arrive at the Zion above. So let God be my Friend, my Protector, and the everlasting Rock of my rest.

To the chief Musician, upon Gittith, a Psalm for the sons of Korah.

1 How lovely is thy dwelling-place, O Lord of hosts, to me! The tabernacles of thy grace how pleasant, Lord, they be!

2 My thirsty soul longs veh'mently, yea faints, thy courts to see:
My very heart and flesh cry out,
O living God, for thee.

3 Behold, the sparrow findeth out an house wherein to rest; The swallow also for herself hath purchased a nest; Ev'n thine own altars\*, where she safe her young ones forth may bring,

<sup>\*</sup> To me, it is inconceivable, how sparrows or swallows could fix their nests in the altars of God, which were of brass or rough stones, and had a fire perpetually burning upon them, and multitudes of priests and Levites crowding around them. God did not allow of any trees to be planted near to them. I cannot believe God's tabernacle or temple was polluted with the nests and ordure of birds, in the manner of our ruinous churches. Nor can I see this idea answerable to the context or scope of the Psalm: Might not the verse be rather translated, "As the sparrow findeth the house, and the swallow the nest for herself, where she hath put her young ones, my soul findeth

O thou almighty Lord of hosts, who art my God and King.

4 Bless'd are they in thy house that dwell, they ever give thee praise.

5 Bless'd is the man whose strength thou art,

in whose heart are thy ways.

6 Who passing thorough Baca's vale,

therein do dig up wells;

Also the rain that falleth down
the pools with water fills.

7 So they from strength unwearied go still forward unto strength, Until in Sion they appear

before the Lord at length.

8 Lord God of hosts, my prayer hear;
O Jacob's God give ear.

9 See God our shield, look on the face of thine anointed dear.

10 For in thy courts one day excels
a thousand; rather in
My God's house will I keep a door,

than dwell in tents of sin.

11 For God the Lord's a sun and shield: he'll grace and glory give;

And will withhold no good from them that uprightly do live.

thine altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God:"—
i. e. with inexpressible ardour I long for, and desire them, and with ineffable pleasure I approach them, in order to intimate fellowship with my God. Compare ver. 1, 2, 10, of this Psalm, with Psalms xlii. 1, 2.—. xliii. 3, 4.

12 O thou that art the Lord of hosts, that man is truly blest, Who by assured confidence on thee alone doth rest.

#### PSALM LXXXV.

This Psalm relates to some remarkable deliverance of the Jewish nation, but whether that effected by the advancement of David to the throne, or that from the Assyrian invasion, 2 Kings xix, or from the Chaldean captivity, Fzra i. is uncertain. It contains (1.) Thankful acknowledgments of divine favours received, ver. 1—3. (2.) Supplications that further favours and deliverances may be speedily bestowed, ver. 4—7. (3.) Firm expectations of a gracious answer in the coming, mediation, and blessings of the Messiah, ver. 8—13.—

¶ While I sing, let my soul be affected with the mercies which I, which Britain, which the Church of God have enjoyed. Let me be thereby encouraged to plead for more. And let me, without doubting, credit the promises, and expect supply from the fulness of Christ.

# To the chief Musician, a Psalm for the sons of Korah.

1 O Lord, thou hast been favourable to thy beloved land:
Jacob's captivity thou hast recall'd with mighty hand.

2 Thou pardoned thy people hast all their iniquities; Thou all their trespasses and sins

hast cover'd from thine eyes.

3 Thou took'st off all thine ire, and turn'dst from thy wrath's furiousness.

4 Turn us, God of our health, and cause thy wrath 'gainst us to cease.

5 Shall thy displeasure thus endure against us without end? Wilt thou to generations all thine anger forth extend?

6 That in thee may thy people joy, wilt thou not us revive?

7 Shew us thy mercy, Lord, to us do thy salvation give.

8 I'll hear what God the Lord will speak: to his folk he'll speak peace, And to his saints: but let them not return to foolishness.

9 To them that fear him surely near is his salvation;

That glory in our land may have her habitation.

10 Truth met with mercy, righteousness and peace kiss'd mutually;

11 Truth springs from earth, and righteouslooks down from heaven high.

12 Yea, what is good the Lord shall give, our land shall yield increase:

13 Justice, to set us in his steps shall go before his face.

#### PSALM LXXXVI.

This Psalm contains, (1) David's fervent supplications, that God would hear his prayers, ver. 1, 6, 7, mercifully preserve and save him, ver. 2, 3, 16. afford him joy, strength, and honour, ver. 4, 11, 17. (2.) His pleas, wherewith he enforceth his prayers, drawn from the goodness of God, ver. 5, 13, 15.; his own relation to, and trust in God, ver. 2, 4, 16.; his former experience of God's kindness, ver. 17.; and from the malice of his enemies, ver. 14. (3.) His ascription of praise to God, as matchless in his nature and works, as the sole object of worship, and as great and infinitely gracious, ver. 8, 9, 10, 12, 13,——¶ While I sing, let me remember, that the Psalmist hath left me an example, that I should walk in his steps.

### A Prayer of David.

1 O Lord, do thou bow down thine ear, and hear me graciously; Because I sore afflicted am.

and am in poverty.

2 Because I'm holy, let my soul by thee preserved be:
O thou my God, thy servant save,

that puts his trust in thee.

3 Sith unto thee I daily cry,

3 Sith unto thee I daily cry be merciful to me.

4 Rejoice thy servant's soul; for, Lord, I lift my soul to thee.

5 For thou art gracious, O Lord,

and ready to forgive;
And rich in mercy, all that call
upon thee to relieve.

6 Hear, Lord, my pray'r; unto the voice of my request attend:

7 In troublous times I'll call on thee; for thou wilt answer send.

8 Lord there is none among the gods that may with thee compare; And like the works which thou hast done. not any work is there.

9 All nations whom thou mad'st shall come and worship rev'rently Before thy face; and they, O Lord, thy name shall glorify.

10 Because thou art exceeding great, and works by thee are done

Which are to be admir'd; and thou art God thyself alone.

II Teach me thy way, and in thy truth. O Lord, then walk will I; Unite my heart, that I thy name may fear continually.

12 O Lord my God, with all my heart to thee I will give praise; And I the glory will ascribe

unto thy name always:

13 Because thy mercy toward me in greatness doth excel; And thou deliver'd hast my soul out from the lowest hell.

14 O God, the proud against me rise, and vi'lent men have met, That for my soul have sought; and thee before them have not set.

15 But thou art full of pity, Lord, a God most gracious,

Long-suffering, and in thy truth and mercy plenteous.

16 O turn to me thy countenance, and mercy on me have;

Thy servant strengthen, and the son of thine own handmaid save.

17 Shew me a sign for good, that they which do me hate may see,
And be asham'd: because thou, Lord, didst help and comfort me.

#### PSALM LXXXVII.

This Psalm is an encomium upon Mount Zion, as typical of the Gospel-church. (1.) For the sake of the Temple, Mount Zion is preferred to every other place in Canaan, as more honoured by God, and more delighted in by him, ver. 1-3. (2.) In respect of better inhabitants, greater stability, and more important joys and blessings, the ('hurch is preferred to all other nations, ver. 4-7. While I sing, let me observe the dignity of relation to JEHOVAH as my God. Let me praise him for founding his Church on Jesus, the unmoveable Rock of ages, that the gates of hell cannot prevail against her. rejoice in the glorious promises made concerning her, and supplicate the speedy, the remarkable fulfilment thereof. And while I with joy draw water out of her ordinances, her wells of salvation, let me live a holy, a cheerful member of society.

A Psalm or Song for the sons of Korah.

1 Upon the hills of holiness he his foundation sets.

2 God, more than Jacob's dwellings all, delights in Sion's gates. 3 Things glorious are said of thee, thou city of the Lord.

4 Rahab and Babel I, to those that know me will record:

Behold ev'n Tyrus, and with it the land of Palestine, And likewise Ethiopia; this man was born therein.

5 And it of Sion shall be said,
This man and that man there
Was born; and he that is most High
himself shall stablish her.

6 When God the people writes, he'll count that this man born was there.

7 There be that sing and play; and all my well-springs in thee are.

#### PSALM LXXXVIII.

In this doleful Psalm, after a very short declaration of his faith, we have, (1) Heman's bitter wailing over his distressed case, That his troubles were great, his body at the point of death, his soul filled with grief, his God hiding and angry, his mind distressed with terrors, and his friends unkind, ver. 3—9, 14—18. (2.) His bitter groans to, and expostulations with God, importing, That he had long cried for mercy; that in death, nothing could be done for him, &c. ver. 1, 2, 9,—14.——¶ While I sing, let me think how dreadful hell must be, when even fatherly chastisements are so severe; how dreadful the enormity of sin, which provokes God so grievously to afflict his dearest favourites; and how necessary it is to retain our faith of our relation to God, amidst the worst of troubles.

- A Psalm or Song for the sons of Korah, to the chief Musician upon Mahalath Leanoth, Maschil of Heman the Ezrahite.
  - 1 Lord God, my Saviour, day and night before thee cry'd have I.

2 Before thee let my prayer come; give ear unto my cry.

3 For troubles great do fill my soul; my life draws nigh the grave.

- 4 I'm counted with those that go down to pit, and no strength have.
- 5 Ev'n free among the dead, like them that slain in grave do lie; Cut off from thy hand, whom no more thou hast in memory.

6 Thou hast me laid in lowest pit, in deeps and darksome caves.

- 7 Thy wrath lies hard on me, thou hast me press'd with all thy waves.
- 8 Thou hast put far from me my friends, thou mad'st them to abhor me; And I am so shut up, that I find no evasion for me.

9 By reason of affliction mine eye mourns dolefully: To thee, Lord, do I call, and stretch

my hands continually.

10 Wilt thou shew wonders to the dead? shall they rise, and thee bless?

11 Shall in the grave thy love be told? in death thy faithfulness?

12 Shall thy great wonders in the dark, or shall thy righteousness

Be known to any in the land of deep forgetfulness?

13 But, Lord, to thee I cry'd; my pray'r at morn prevent shall thee.

14 Why, Lord, dost thou cast off my soul, and hid'st thy face from me?

15 Distress'd am I, and from my youth I ready am to die; Thy terrors I have borne, and am

Thy terrors I have borne, and am distracted fearfully.

16 The dreadful fierceness of thy wrath quite over me doth go:

Thy terrors great have cut me off,

they did pursue me so.

17 For round about me ev'ry day, like water, they did roll; And, gathering together, they

have compassed my soul.

18 My friends thou hast put far from me, and him that did me love;

And those that mine acquaintance were to darkness didst remove.

#### PSALM LXXXIX.

This Psalm was perhaps composed on the occasion of Absalom's rebellion, 2 Sam. xv., or of the revolt of the

ten tribes from their subjection to the family of David, 1 Kings xii., or it relates to the Chaldean oppression and captivity, 2 Kings xxiv, xxv. In the first and joyfui part, we have, (1.) The foundation of all comfort, happiness, honour, and stability, laid in the mercy of God, and his covenant with David-emblematic of that made with Jesus Christ for the redemption of mankind, ver. 1-4. (2.) A celebration of the God of the covenant in his faithfulness, glory, greatness, mercy, and equity, and of his works, ver. 5-14. And of the glorious dignity, happiness, and safety of the covenant-people, ver. 15-18. (3.) A bundle of covenant-promises, securing proper qualifications, and assistance, and glory to the Head of the Covenant, and indefeasible blessings to his covenant-seed, notwithstanding their manifold sin and chastisements, ver. 19-37. -In the second, and mournful part, we have, (1.) Grievous lamentation over the dishonour, distress, and danger of David's family, ver. 38-45. (2) Expostulations with God'concerning the same, drawn from the continuance of trouble, the shortness of human life, and certainty of death, the withdrawment of former kindness promised in the Covenant, and the insolent repreaches of enemies, ver. 46-51. (3.) A triumphant conclusion of praise to God, ver. 52.—¶ While I sing, let me chiefly keep mine eyes on David's Lord. Let me, with joy, behold the Covenant made with him for our redemption. Let me adore my Covenant-God, as in him, well pleased for his righteousness' sake, and rendering him and his seed most blessed for evermore. And as Jesus' sufferings for me purchased my eternal happiness, let never my own, nor the Church's troubles, weaken my faith, nor make me drop my songs of praise.

## Maschil of Ethan the Ezrahite.

1 God's mercies I will ever sing; and with my mouth I shall Thy faithfulness make to be known to generations all. 2 For mercy shall be built, said I, for ever to endure;

Thy faithfulness, ev'n in the heav'ns, thou wilt establish sure.

3 I with my chosen One have made a cov'nant graciously; And to my servant, whom I lov'd.

to David sworn have I;

4 That I thy seed establish shall for ever to remain,

And will to generations all thy throne build and maintain.

5 The praises of thy wonders, Lord, the heavens shall express; And in the congregation

of saints thy faithfulness.

6 For who in heaven with the Lord may once himself compare?

Who is like God among the sons of those that mighty are?

7 Great fear in meeting of the saints is due unto the Lord;

And he of all about him should with rev'rence be ador'd.

8 O thou that art the Lord of hosts, what Lord in mightiness

Is like to thee? who compass'd round art with thy faithfulness.

9 Ev'n in the raging of the sea thou over it dost reign;

And when the waves thereof do swell thou stillest them again.

10 Rahab in pieces thou didst break, like one that slaughter'd is; And with thy mighty arm thou hast dispers'd thine enemies.

11 The heav'ns are thine, thou for thine own the earth dost also take;

The world, and fulness of the same, thy power did found and make.

12 The north and south from thee alone their first beginning had;
Both Tabor mount and Hermon hill shall in thy name be glad.

13 Thou hast an arm that's full of pow'r, thy hand is great in might;
And thy right hand exceedingly exalted is in height.

14 Justice and judgment of thy throne are made the dwelling-place;

Mercy, accompany'd with truth, shall go before thy face.

15 O greatly bless'd the people are the joyful sound that know; In brightness of thy face, O Lord, they ever on shall go.

16 They in thy name shall all the day rejoice exceedingly;

And in thy righteousness shall they exalted be on high.

17 Because the glory of their strength doth only stand in thee; And in thy favour shall our horn

and pow'r exalted be.

18 For God is our defence; and he to us doth safety bring:

The Holy One of Israel is our almighty King.

19 In vision to thy Holy One thou said'st, I help upon

A strong one laid; out of the folk I rais'd a chosen one;

20 Ev'n David, I have found him out a servant unto me;

And with my holy oil my King anointed him to be.

21 With whom my hand shall stablish'd be; mine arm shall make him strong.

22 On him the foe shall not exact nor son of mischief wrong.

23 I will beat down before his face all his malicious foes;

I will them greatly plague who do with hatred him oppose.

24 My mercy and my faithfulness with him yet still shall be;

And in my name his horn and pow'r men shall exalted see.

25 His hand and pow'r shall reach afar.
I'll set it in the sea;

And his right hand established shall in the rivers be.

26 Thou art my Father, he shall cry, thou art my God alone; And he shall say, Thou art the Rock

of my salvation.

27 I'll make him my first-born, more high than kings of any land.

28 My love I'll ever keep for him, my cov'nant fast shall stand.

29 His seed I by my pow'r will make for ever to endure;
And, as the days of heav'n, his throne

shall stable be, and sure.

30 But if his children shall forsake my laws, and go astray,

And in my judgments shall not walk, but wander from my way:

31 If they my laws break, and do not keep my commandments;

32 I'll visit then their faults with rods, their sins with chastisements.

33 Yet I'll not take my love from him, nor false my promise make.

34 My cov'nant I'll not break, nor change what with my mouth I spake.

35 Once by my holiness I sware, to David I'll not lie;

36 His seed and throne shall, as the sun, before me last for aye.

- 37 It, like the moon, shall ever be establish'd stedfastly;
  And like to that which in the heav'n doth witness faithfully.
- 38 But thou, displeased, hast cut off, thou didst abhor and loathe; With him that thine anointed is thou hast been very wroth.
- 39 Thou hast thy servant's covenant made void, and quite cast by;
  Thou has profan'd his crown, while it cast on the ground doth lie.
- 40 Thou all his hedges hast broke down, his strongholds down hast torn.
- 41 He to all passers-by a spoil, to neighbours is a scorn.
- 42 Thou hast set up his foes' right hand; mad'st all his en'mies glad:
- 43 Turn'd his sword's edge, and him to stand in battle hast not made.
- 44 His glory thou hast made to cease, his throne to ground down cast;
- 45 Shorten'd his days of youth, and him with shame thou cover'd hast.
- 46 How long, Lord, wilt thou hide thyself?
  for ever in thine ire?
  And shall thine indignation
  - And shall thine indignation burn like unto a fire?
- 47 Remember, Lord, how short a time I shall on earth remain:

O wherefore is it so that thou hast made all men in vain?

48 What man is he that liveth here, and death shall never see?

Or from the power of the grave what man his soul shall free?

49 Thy former loving-kindnesses,
O Lord, where be they now?
Those which in truth and faithfulness
to David sworn hast thou?

50 Mind, Lord, thy servant's sad reproach; how I in bosom bear The scornings of the people all, who strong and mighty are.

51 Wherewith thy raging enemies reproach'd, O Lord, think on;
Wherewith they have reproach'd the steps of thine anointed one.

52 All blessing to the Lord our God let be ascribed then: For evermore so let it be. Amen, yea, and amen.

# PSALM XC.

This Psalm was composed by Moses, the Man of Gon some time after God had sentenced the Hebrews to wandering and death in the wilderness, Numb. xiv. In it, (1.) Moses comforts himself and his people with the eternal and unchangeable duration of God himself, and their interest in him, ver. 1, 2. (2) He humbles himself and his people with the consideration of human frailty, ver. 3—6. (3.) He submits himself and his people to the righteous

sentence of God, passed upon them, ver. 7—11. (4.) By prayer, he commits himself and his people to their gracious and merciful God, and requests the sanctified use of their awful chastisements, the averting of divine wrath, the be stowal of true comforts and joys, the returns of his favour, and the progress of his work of mercy among their children, ver 12—17.——¶ Let me sing this as the tenant of an hour, who hath none assurance of his present life:—Sing it as resigned to my lot on earth, however afflicted, and as active in preparation for death, and committing myself and family to the God of truth as our Redeemer, our God, and our everlasting All.

## A Prayer of Moses the Man of God.

1 Lord, thou hast been our dwelling-place in generations all.

2 Before thou ever hadst brought forth the mountains great or small; Ere ever thou hadst formed the earth, and all the world abroad; Ev'n thou from everlasting art to everlasting God.

3 Thou dost unto destruction man that is mortal turn; And unto them thou say'st, Again, ye sons of men, return.

4 Because a thousand years appear no more before thy sight Than yesterday, when it is past, or than a watch by night.

5 As with an overflowing flood
thou carry'st them away:
They like a sleep are, like the grass
that grows at morn are they.

6 At morn it flourishes and grows, cut down at ev'n doth fade,

7 For by thine anger we're consum'd, thy wrath makes us afraid.

8 Our sins thou and iniquities
dost in thy presence place,
And sett'st our secret faults before
the brightness of thy face.

9 For in thine anger all our days do pass on to an end; And as a tale that hath been told, so we our years do spend.

10 Threescore and ten years do sum up
our days and years, we see;
Or if, by reason of more strength,
in some fourscore they be:
Yet doth the strength of such old men
but grief and labour prove;
For it is soon cut off, and we
fly hence, and soon remove.

11 Who knows the power of thy wrath?
according to thy fear

12 So is thy wrath: Lord teach thou us
our end in mind to bear:
And so to count our days, that we
our hearts may still apply
To learn thy wisdom and thy truth,

that we may live thereby.

13 Turn yet again to us, O Lord,
how long thus shall it be?

Let it repent thee now for those that servants are to thee.

14 O with thy tender mercies, Lord, us early satisfy;

So we rejoice shall all our days, and still be glad in thee.

15 According as the days have been, wherein we grief have had, And years wherein we ill have seen, so do thou make us glad.

16 O let thy work and pow'r appear thy servants' face before; And shew unto their children dear

thy glory evermore:

17 And let the beauty of the Lord our God be us upon: Our handy-works establish thou, establish them each one.

#### PSALM XCI.

This Psalm was perhaps penned on the occasion of the pestilence inflicted for numbering the people, 2 Sam. xxiv. In it, while the Psalmist, by faith, takes God for his own refuge and keeper, ver. 2, 9. he, for the encouragement of others to do the same, represents, (1.) The dignity, extent, and continuance of their happiness and safety who have God for their residence, ver. 1—4. (2.) Their preservation from all malice and baleful influence of the powers of darkness, while multitudes are ruined thereby, ver. 3—9. (3.) Their enjoyment of angels for their guard, and their triumph over devils and other opposers, ver 10—12. (4) Their possession of special favour from, and delightful intimacy with God here, and hereafter, ver. 13—16. ¶ In singing these, let mine eyes be fixed on Jesus, the Man of God's right hand, in whom all these

promises were fulfilled to the highest; and, in his name, iet me depend on them to be accomplished in myself. And let all the begun experience I have had thereof, encourage me to rejoice in hope of the more abundant mercies and glory of God.

1 He that doth in the secret place of the most High reside, Under the shade of him that is the Almighty shall abide.

2 I of the Lord my God will say, He is my refuge still, He is my fortress, and my God.

He is my fortress, and my God, and in him trust I will.

3 Assuredly he shall thee save, and give deliverance

From subtile fowler's snare, and from the noisome pestilence.

4 His feathers shall thee hide; thy trust under his wings shall be:

His faithfulness shall be a shield and buckler unto thee.

5 Thou shalt not need to be afraid for terrors of the night; Nor for the arrow that doth fly

by day, while it is light;
6 Nor for the pestilence, that walks
in darkness secretly;

Nor for destruction, that doth waste at noon-day openly.

7 A thousand at thy side shall fall, on thy right hand shall lie

Ten thousand dead; yet unto thee it shall not once come nigh.

8 Only thou with thine eyes shalt look, and a beholder be:

And thou therein the just reward of wicked men shalt see.

9 Because the Lord, who constantly my refuge is alone,

Ev'n the most High, is made by thee thy habitation;

10 No plague shall near thy dwelling come, no ill shall thee befall:

For thee to keep in all thy ways his angels charge he shall.

12 They in their hands shall bear thee up, still waiting thee upon; Lest thou at any time should'st dash

thy foot against a stone.

13 Upon the adder thou shalt tread, and on the lion strong; Thy feet on dragons trample shall,

and on the lions young.

-14 Because on me he set his love, I'll save and set him free:

Because my great name he hath known, I will him set on high.

5 He'll call on me, I'll answer him; I will be with him still In trouble, to deliver him, and honour him I will.

16 With length of days unto his mind
I will him satisfy;
I also my salvation
will cause his eyes to see.

#### PSALM XCII.

In this Psalm or Song for the Sabbath-day, (1.) Praise, the business of the Sabbath, is earnestly recommended, ver. 1-3. (2) God's works, which are the reason of the Sabbath and ground of the praise, are celebrated in their greatness and unsearchableness, ver. 4-6. (3.) The ruin of sinners and the felicity of saints are beautifully contrasted. Sinners shall perish; but God the Portion and Life of saints shall endure for ever. Sinners, notwithstanding their temporary flourish, shall be cut off and destroyed. Saints shall be exalted and comforted. Sinners shall be confounded and ruined; but saints, through their union to and fellowship with Christ, shall prosper and flourish, to the manifestation of God's faithfulness and equity, ver. 7-15. - While I keep the Sabbath of the Lord my God, let these things deeply affect my heart: And be it my care, by a steady conversation and manifest growth in grace, to verify these precious promises of the New Testament in Jesus' blood.

## A Psalm or Song for the Sabbath-day.

1 To render thanks unto the Lord
it is a comely thing,
And to thy name, O thou most High,
due praise aloud to sing.

2 Thy loving-kindness to shew forth when shines the morning light;
And to declare thy faithfulness with pleasure ev'ry night.

3 On a ten-stringed instrument, upon the psaltery,

And on the harp with solemn sound,

and grave sweet melody.

4 For thou, Lord, by thy mighty works hast made my heart right glad;
And I will triumph in the works which by thine hands were made.

5. How great, Lord, are thy works! each of thine a deep it is: [thought

6 A brutish man it knoweth not; fools understand not this.

7 When those that lewd and wicked are spring quickly up like grass,
And workers of iniquity

do flourish all apace;

It is that they for ever may destroyed be and slain:

8 But thou, O Lord, art the most High, for ever to remain.

9 For, lo, thine enemies, O Lord, thine en'mies perish shall; The workers of iniquity shall be dispersed all.

10 But thou shalt, like unto the horn of the unicorn, exalt My horn on high: thou with fresh oil anoint me also shalt.

11 Mine eyes shall also my desire see on mine enemies;

Mine ears shall of the wicked hear, that do against me rise.

12 But like the palm-tree flourishing shall be the righteous one;
He shall like to the cedar grow that is in Lebanon.

13 Those that within the house of God are planted by his grace, They shall grow up, and flourish all

in our God's holy place.

14 And in old age, when others fade, they fruit still forth shall bring; They shall be fat, and full of sap, and aye be flourishing;

15 To shew that upright is the Lord:
he is a rock to me;
And he from all unrighteousness
is altogether free.

### PSALM XCIII.

This Psalm is a triumphant celebration of the government of Jehovan, and of Jesus our Redeemer, in (1.) The awfulness, strength, stability, and duration thereof, ver. 1, 2. (2.) In his triumphant victories over all opposition, ver. 3, 4. (3.) In the faithfulness and certainty of his words, and the holiness of his court, ver. 5.——¶ While I sing, let my soul rejoice in the highness of my God, and in the glories of my Redeemer.

1 THE Lord doth reign, and cloth'd is he with majesty most bright;
His works do shew him cloth'd to be, and girt about with might.

The world is also stablished, that it cannot depart.

2 Thy throne is fix'd of old, and thou from everlasting art.

3 The floods, O Lord, have lifted up, they lifted up their voice; The floods have lifted up their waves, and made a mighty noise.

4 But yet the Lord, that is on high, is more of might by far Than noise of many waters is,

or great sea-billows are.

5 Thy testimonies ev'ry one in faithfulness excel; And holiness for ever, Lord, thine house becometh well.

### PSALM XCIV.

This is a Psalm for the afflicted people of God in which, (1.) God's just vengeance is implored, upon their haughty, active, cruel, and atheistical oppressors, whose folly is exposed from the consideration of God's works of creation, providence, and grace, ver. 1—11. (2.) His gracious comforts are presented to the persecuted saints, that He will bless them in, and by their afflictions; and give them rest after them, while their enemies are ruined; that God will not cast them off when cast down, but will, in his due time, reduce things to their right course;—to verify which, the Psalmist produceth part of his own experience, ver. 12—23.——¶ While I sing, let all revenge be rooted from my heart: All repining at afflictions be banished from my soul. But in every plunge of adversity, let me cast my burden on the Lord, that he may sustain me,

and help me in the time of need. Let me rejoice in the assured hopes of God's yet reforming the church, and spreading his glory among the nations.

1 O LORD God, unto whom alone all vengeance doth belong;

O mighty God, who vengeance own'st, shine forth, avenging wrong.

2 Lift up thyself, thou of the earth the sov'reign Judge that art;

And unto those that are so proud a due reward impart.

3 How long, O mighty God shall they who lewd and wicked be, How long shall they who wicked are

thus triumph haughtily?

4 How long shall things most hard by them
be uttered and told?

And all that work iniquity to boast themselves be bold?

5 Thy folk they break in pieces, Lord, thine heritage oppress:

6 The widow they and stranger slay, and kill the fatherless.

7 Yet say they, God it shall not see,

8 Ye brutish people! understand; fools! when wise will ye grow?

9 The Lord did plant the ear of man, and hear then shall not he?

He only form'd the eye, and then shall he not clearly see?

10 He that the nations doth correct, shall he not chastise you? He knowledge unto man doth teach, and shall himself not know?

11 Man's thoughts to be but vanity the Lord doth well discern.

12 Bless'd is the man thou chast'nest Lord, and mak'st thy law to learn:

13 That thou may'st give him rest from days of sad adversity, Until the pit be digg'd for those that work iniquity.

14 For sure the Lord will not cast off those that his people be, Neither his own inheritance quit and forsake will he:

15 But judgment unto righteousness shall yet return again;
And all shall follow after it that are right-hearted men.

16 Who will rise up for me against those that do wickedly?
Who will stand up for me 'gainst those that work iniquity?

17 Unless the Lord had been my help when I was sore opprest, Almost my soul had in the house of silence been at rest. 18 When I had uttered this word,
(my foot doth slip away,)
Thy mercy held me up, O Lord,
thy goodness did me stay.

19 Amidst the multitude of thoughts which in my heart do fight, My soul, lest it be overcharg'd, thy comforts do delight.

20 Shall of iniquity the throne have fellowship with thee, Which mischief, cunningly contriv'd, doth by a law decree?

21 Against the righteous souls they join, they guiltless blood condemn.

22 But of my refuge God's the rock, and my defence from them.

23 On them their own iniquity
the Lord shall bring and lay,
And cut them off in their own sin;
our Lord God shall them slay.

### PSALM XCV.

This Psalm contains, (1.) Solemn calls to celebrate the praises of Jesus and his Father, on account of what he hath done, and what he is to us and we to him, ver. 1—7. (2.) Alarming warnings to hear his voice, and not to harden our hearts, as the Israelites, in the desert, who, on that account, were debarred from the promised land, ver. 7—11.——¶ While I sing, let me behold the glories of my Redeemer, and believe my new covenant relation

to him; and, while it is yet called to-day let me beware of being hardened through the deceitfulness of sin. Since there is a promise left me of entering into his rest, let me take heed lest I should seem to come short of it by unbelief.

- 1 O come, let us sing to the Lord: come, let us ev'ry one A joyful noise make to the Rock of our salvation.
- 2 Let us before his presence come with praise and thankful voice;
  Let us sing psalms to him with grace,
  and make a joyful noise.
- 3 For God, a great God, and great King, above all gods he is.
- 4 Depths of the earth are in his hand, the strength of hills is his.
- 5 To him the spacious sea belongs, for he the same did make;
  The dry land also from his hands its form at first did take.
- 6 O come, and let us worship him, let us bow down withal, And on our knees before the Lord our Maker let us fall.
- 7 For he's our God, the people we of his own pasture are, And of his hand the sheep; to-day if ye his voice will hear,
- 3 Then harden not your hearts, as in the provocation,

As in the desert, on the day of the tentation:

9 When me your fathers tempt'd and prov'd, and did my working see;

10 Ev'n for the space of forty years this race hath grieved me.

I said, This people errs in heart, my ways they do not know:

11 To whom I sware in wrath, that to my rest they should not go.

### PSALM XCVI.

This Psalm was part of the hymn sung at the translation of the ark from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David, 1 Chron. xvi. 1, 23—33; but relates to the calling of the Gentiles to our Redeemer. Here are, (1.) Solemn calls to ascribe praises and glory to our high and great Immanuel, ver. 1—9. (2.) Loud proctamations of Jesus' establishment of his gospel-church, and of his coming to judge the world, to the great joy of his friends, ver. 10—13.——¶ While these high praises of God are in my mouth, let my heart behold the glory, believe the promises, and burn with desire after the enjoyment of Christ, and of God in him.

1 O sing a new song to the Lord: sing all the earth to God.

2 To God sing, bless his name, shew still his saving health abroad.

3 Among the heathen nations
his glory do declare;
And unto all the people show
his works that wond'rous are.

4 For great's the Lord, and greatly he is to be magnify'd;

Yea, worthy to be fear'd is he above all gods beside.

5 For all the gods are idols dumb, which blinded nations fear; But our God is the Lord, by whom the heav'ns created were.

6 Great honour is before his face, and majesty divine; Strength is within his holy place,

and there doth beauty shine.

7 Do ye ascribe unto the Lord,

7 Do ye ascribe unto the Lord, of people ev'ry tribe, Glory do ye unto the Lord, and mighty pow'r ascribe.

8 Give ye the glory to the Lord, that to his name is due; Come ye into his courts, and bring an offering with you.

9 In beauty of his holiness,
O do the Lord adore;
Likewise let all the court through

Likewise let all the earth throughout tremble his face before.

10 Among the heathen say, God reigns; the world shall steadfastly Be fix'd from moving; he shall judge the people righteously.

11 Let heav'ns be glad before the Lord,

and let the earth rejoice;

Let seas, and all that is therein, cry out, and make a noise.

12 Let fields rejoice, and ev'ry thing that springeth of the earth: Then woods and ev'ry tree shall sing with gladness and with mirth

13 Before the Lord; because he comes, to judge the earth comes he:

He'll judge the world with righteousness, the people faithfully.

### PSALM XCVII.

This Psalm is of the same strain with the preceding, and contains, (1.) Solemn calls to the Gentile nations to rejoice at the equity and extent of Jesus' New Testament kingdom, and at the destruction of hardened Jews and heathen idolaters, occasioned by the establishment thereof, ver. 1—7. (2.) Representations of the pure and holy joy of the saints on account of Jesus' highness, and the glory of God manifested therein; and of the care taken for their safety and comfort, ver. 8—12.——¶ Join the choir, O my soul. Sing praises to thy King: Sing praises with understanding.

I Gon reigneth, let the earth be glad, and isles rejoice each one.

2 Dark clouds him compass; and in right with judgment dwells his throne.

3 Fire goes before him, and his foes it burns up round about:

4 His light'nings lighten did the world; earth saw, and shook throughout. 5 Hills at the presence of the Lord, like wax, did melt away;
Ev'n at the presence of the Lord of all the earth, I say.

6 The heav'ns declare his righteousness,

all men his glory sec.

7 All who serve graven images, confounded let them be.

Who do of idols boast themselves let shame upon them fall: Ye that are called gods, see that

ye do him worship all.

8 Sion did hear, and joyful was, glad Judah's daughters were; They much rejoic'd, O Lord, because thy judgments did appear.

9 For thou, O Lord, art high above all things on earth that are; Above all other gods thou art

exalted very far.

10 Hate ill, all ye that love the Lord: his saints' souls keepeth he; And from the hands of wicked men he sets them safe and free.

11 For all those that be righteous sown is a joyful light,
And gladness sown is for all those that are in heart upright.

12 Ye righteous in the Lord rejoice; express your thankfulness, When ye into your memory do call his holiness.

#### PSALM XCVIII.

This Psalm insists on the same subject as the two preceding, and contains, (1.) Demands of praise to the Redeemer, for the wonders he hath wrought, the victories he hath won, the discoveries he hath made, and the promises he fulfils, ver. 1-3. (2.) Demands of universal and high rejoicing at the erection and establishment of his Gospel church, and at his coming in the clouds to judge the world, ver. 4-9.- While my lips utter these lofty notes, let my soul, according to this time also, say, What hath the Lord wrought! What is Jesus! What is JEHOVAH to my heart! What hath he done for mankind, and what for my soul? What of Jesus! What of JEHOVAH have mine eyes seen and my heart tasted !- And while I assuredly believe his return to judgment, let me with ardour look for that blessed hope, and glorious appearing of the great God my Saviour. Let my soul with rapture, spring forth to meet his burning chariot wheels, and long to see creation all on flames.

### A Psalm.

1 O sing a new song to the Lord, for wonders he hath done:
His right hand and his holy arm him victory hath won.

2 The Lord God his salvation hath caused to be known; His justice in the heathen's sight he openly hath shown.

3 He mindful of his grace and truth to Isr'el's house hath been; And the salvation of our God all ends of th' earth have seen.

4 Let all the earth unto the Lord send forth a joyful noise; Lift up your voice aloud to him,

sing praises, and rejoice.

5 With harp, with harp, and voice of psalms, unto JEHOVAH sing:

6 With trumpets, cornets, gladly sound before the Lord the King.

7 Let seas and all their fulness roar; the world, and dwellers there;

8 Let floods clap hands, and let the hills together joy declare

9 Before the Lord; because he comes,
to judge the earth comes he:
He'll judge the world with righteousness,
his folk with equity.

### PSALM XCIX.

This Psalm is of the same general nature with the three preceding, and calls men to revere, and worship, and praise the Messiah and his Father, (1.) For the glory, greatness, mercy, and equity of his government, ver. 1—5. (2.) For the instances of his kindness to Israel, in remarkably regarding and honouring their noted Deliverers and Reformers, ver. 6—9.——¶ While I sing this, let my soul stand in awe of Jenovah's greatness and excellency. Let me call on God in every time of need, that he may answer and save me. Let me hope, that he will forgive and subdue, but never that he will indulge my transgressions. For the Lord my God ir holy.

1 Th' eternal Lord doth reign as king, let all the people quake: He sits between the cherubims, let th' earth be mov'd and shake.

2 The Lord in Sion great and high

above all people is;

3 Thy great and dreadful name (for it is holy) let them bless.

4 The king's strength also judgment loves; thou settlest equity:

Just judgment thou dost execute in Jacob righteonsly.

5 The Lord our God exalt on high, and rev'rently do ye Before his footstool worship him:

the Holy One is he.

6 Moses and Aaron 'mong his priests,
Samuel, with them that call

Upon his name: these call'd on God, and he them answer'd all.

7 Within the pillar of the cloud he unto them did speak:

The testimonies he them taught, and laws, they did not break.

8 Thou answered'st them, O Lord our God; thou wast a God that gave Pardon to them, though on their deeds thou wouldest vengeance have.

9 Do ye exalt the Lord our God, and at his holy hill Do ye him worship for the Lord our God is holy still.

### PSALM C.

This Psalm, (1.) Contains a solemn call to the Gentiles to praise God, and rejoice in him, ver. 1—4. (2) Furnisheth us with matter of praise, viz. that he is God, and stands nearly related to us, and that his mercy and truth are everlasting, ver. 3—5.——¶ Knowing the Lord to be my God, let me approach his ordinances, and enter his heavenly palaces with an heart ravished with his excellencies and kindness, and a mouth filled with his praise.

## A Psalm of praise.

1 ALL people that on earth do dwell, Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.

2 Him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell,

Come ye before him and rejoice.

3 Know that the Lord is God indeed; Without our aid he did us make: We are his flock, he doth us feed, And for his sheep he doth us take.

4 O enter then his gates with praise, Approach with joy his courts unto: Praise, laud, and bless his name always, For it is seemly so to do.

5 For why? the Lord our God is good,
His mercy is for ever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure.

# Another of the same.

1 O ALL ye lands unto the Lord make ye a joyful noise.

2 Serve God with gladness, him before

come with a singing voice.

3 Know ye the Lord that he is God; not we, but he us made: We are his people, and the sheep within his pasture fed.

4 Enter his gates and courts with praise, to thank him go ye thither: To him express your thankfulness, and bless his name together.

5 Because the Lord our God is good, his mercy faileth never; And to all generations his truth endureth ever.

### PSALM CI.

This Psalm was probably composed when David assumed the government of his kingdom, and contains his holy resolutions. (1.) To make God's mercies and judgments the connected matter of his song, and to walk circumspectly before his family, through the assisting presence of God, ver. 1, 2. (2.) To purge his family and kingdom; discouraging and punishing persons mischievous and wicked, slanderes, liars, and deceitful workers; and encouraging the pious, ver. 3-8 .- T While I sing, let me remember my faults, and in the strength of the grace that is in Christ Jesus, form the like holy resolutions.

# A Psalm of David.

1 I MERCY will and judgment sing, Lord, I will sing to thee.

Lord, I will sing to thee.

2 With wisdom in a perfect way

shall my behaviour be.

O when, in kindness unto me,

wilt thou be pleas'd to come?

I with a perfect heart will walk
within my house at home.

within my house at home.

3 I will endure no wicked thing

3 I will endure no wicked thing before mine eyes to be I hate their work that turn aside, it shall not cleave to me.

4 A stubborn and a froward heart depart quite from me shall;

A person giv'n to wickedness I will not know at all.

5 I'll cut him off that slandereth his neighbour privily: The haughty heart I will not bear, nor him that looketh high.

6 Upon the faithful of the land mine eyes shall be, that they May dwell with me; he shall me serve that walks in perfect way.

7 Who of deceit a worker is in my house shall not dwell; And in my presence shall he not remain that lies doth tell. 8 Yea, all the wicked of the land early destroy will I;
All from God's city to cut off that work iniquity.

### PSALM CII.

This Psalm relates to some grievous distress. Wherein are observable, (1.) Bitter complaints of divine hidings and wrath, of sore bodily troubles, of inward griefs and perplexities, of calumnious reproaches, of sudden changes of condition, and of apparent nearness to death, ver. 1—11. (2.) Seasonable comforts against these grievances, fetched in from the eternity and unchangeableness of God, ver. 12, 24, 27; from the deliverances, spread, and establishment he will grant to his Church, in answer to the prayers, and for the comfort of his afflicted people, ver. 13—28.—¶ While I sing, think, my soul, if I am exercised by my troubles, if these of the inner man bear heaviest on my heart, and if I am a cordial partaker with Sion in her joys and griefs.

A prayer of the afflicted when he is overwhelmed, and poureth out his complaint before the Lord.

1 O Lord, unto my prayer give ear, my cry let come to thee;

2 And in the day of my distress hide not thy face from me. Give ear to me; what time I call,

to answer me make haste:

3 For, as an hearth, my bones are burnt, my days, like smoke, do waste.

4 My heart within me smitten is, and it is withered
Like very grass; so that I do forget to eat my bread.

5 By reason of my groaning voice my bones cleave to my skin.

6 Like pelican in wilderness forsaken I have been:

I like an owl in desert am, that nightly there doth moan;

7 I watch, and like a sparrow am on the house-top alone.

8 My bitter en'mies all the day reproaches east on me; And, being mad at me, with rage against me sworn they be.

9 For why? I ashes eaten have like bread, in sorrows deep; My drink I also mingled have with tears that I did weep.

10 Thy wrath and indignation did cause this grief and pain; For thou hast lift me up on high, and cast me down again.

11 My days are like unto a shade, which doth declining pass; And I am dry'd and withered ev'n like unto the grass.

12 But thou, Lord, everlasting art, and thy remembrance shall Continually endure, and be to generations all.

13 Thou shalt arise, and mercy have upon thy Sion yet;

The time to favour her is come, the time that thou hast set.

14 For in her rubbish and her stones
thy servants pleasure take;
Yea, they the very dust thereof
do favour for her sake.

15 So shall the heathen people fear the Lord's most holy name; And all the kings on earth shall dread thy glory and thy fame.

16 When Sion by the mighty Lord built up again shall be, In glory then and majesty

In glory then and majesty to men appear shall he.

17 The prayer of the destitute
he surely will regard;
Their prayer will he not despise
by him it shall be heard.

18 For generations yet to come
this shall be on record:
So shall the people that shall be
created praise the Lord.

19 He from his sanctuary's height hath downward cast his eye; And from his glorious throne in heav'n the Lord the earth did spy;

20 That of the mournful prisoner the groanings he might hear, To set them free that unto death by men appointed are.

21 That they in Sion may declare the Lord's most holy name, And publish in Jerusalem the praises of the same;

22 When as the people gather shall in troops with one accord, When kingdoms shall assembled be to serve the highest Lord.

23 My wonted strength and force he hath abated in the way,
And he my days hath shortened:

And he my days hath shortened:
Thus therefore did I say,
My God, in mid-time of my days
take thou me not away:
From age to age eternally
thy years endure and stay.

25 The firm foundation of the earth of old time thou hast laid;
The heavens also are the work which thine own hands have made.

26 Thou shalt for evermore endure, but they shall perish all; Yea ev'ry one of them wax old, like to a garment, shall:

Thou, as a vesture, shalt them change, and they shall changed be:

27 But thou the same art, and thy years are to eternity.

28 The children of thy servants shall continually endure;

And in thy sight, O Lord, their seed shall be establish'd sure.

# Another of the same.

1 LORD, hear my pray'r, and let my cry Have speedy access unto thee;

2 In day of my calamity
O hide not thou thy face from me.
Hear when I call to thee; that day
An answer speedily return:

3 My days, like smoke, consume away, And, as an hearth, my bones do burn.

4 My heart is wounded very sore, And withered, like grass doth fade: I am forgetful grown therefore To take and eat my daily bread.

5 By reason of my smart within,
And voice of my most grievous groans,
My flesh consumed is, my skin,
All parch'd, doth cleave unto my bones.

6 The pelican of wilderness, The owl in desert, I do match;

7 And, sparrow-like, companionless, Upon the house's top, I watch.

8 I all day long am made a scorn,
Reproach'd by my malicious foes:
The madmen are against me sworn,
The men against me that arose.

9 For I have ashes eaten up, To me as if they had been bread; And with my drink I in my cup Of bitter tears a mixture made.

10 Because thy wrath was not appeas'd, And dreadful indignation: Therefore it was that thou me rais'd, And thou again didst cast me down.

11 My days are like a shade alway, Which doth declining swiftly pass; And I am withered away, Much like unto the fading grass.

12 But thou, O Lord, shalt still endure, From change and all mutation free, And to all generations sure Shall thy remembrance ever be.

Thou shalt arise, and mercy yet
Thou to mount Sion shalt extend;
Her time for favour which was set,
Behold, is now come to an end.

14 Thy saints take pleasure in her stones, Her very dust to them is dear.

15 All heathen lands and kingly thrones On earth thy glorious name shall fear.

16 God in his glory shall appear, When Sion he builds and repairs.

17 He shall regard and lend his ear,
Unto the needy's humble pray'rs:
Th' afflicted's pray'r he will not scorn:

18 All times this shall be on record:
And generations yet unborn
Shall praise and magnify the Lord.

19 He from his holy place look'd down, The earth he view'd from heav'n on high;

20 To hear the prisoner's mourning groan, And free them that are doom'd to die;

21 That Sion and Jerusalem too, His name and praise may well record,

22 When people and the kingdoms do Assemble all to praise the Lord.

23 My strength he weaken'd in the way, My days of life he shortened.

24 My God, O take me not away
In mid-time of my days, I said:
Thy years throughout all ages last.

25 Of old thou hast established

The earth's foundation firm and fast:

Thy mighty hands the heav'ns have made,

26 They perish shall as garments do, But thou shalt evermore endure; As vestures thou shalt change them so; And they shall all be changed sure:

27 But from all changes thou art free; Thy endless years do last for aye.

28 Thy servants, and their seed who be, Establish'd shall before thee stay.

### PSALM CIII.

Here (1.) The Psalmist earnestly stirs up himself to praise God for favours to himself in particular, for pardon of sins, healing of diseases, redemption from death, ver. 1—5; and for his mercies to his people, in revealing his mind to them, pardoning their sins, sympathizing

with their weakness, pitying their afflictions, and perpetuating his new covenant mercy towards them, and their seed, ver. 6—18. (2.) Conscious of his own insufficiency, he requests the assistance of angels, and of all the works of God to praise him, who is their Sovereign, ver. 19—22.—¶ Thus, my soul, let all my inward powers be stirred up to praise and thank my Redeemer, for all that he hath done for me,—for Britain, and for his church on earth.

A Psalm of David.

1 O THOU my soul, bless God the Lord; and all that in me is Be stirred up his holy name to magnify and bless,

2 Bless, O my soul, the Lord thy God, and not forgetful be

Of all his gracious benefits he hath bestow'd on thee.

3 All thine iniquities who doth most graciously forgive: Who thy diseases all and pains doth heal, and thee relieve.

4 Who doth redeem thy life, that thou to death may'st not go down; Who thee with loving-kindness doth and tender mercies crown:

5 Who with abundance of good things doth satisfy thy mouth;
So that, ev'n as the eagle's age, renewed is thy youth.

6 God righteous judgment executes for all oppressed ones.

7 His ways to Moses, he his acts made known to Isr'el's sons.

8 The Lord our God is merciful, and he is gracious, Long-suffering, and slow to wrath, in mercy plenteous.

9 He will not chide continually, nor keep his anger still.

10 With us he dealt not as we sinn'd, nor did requite our ill.

11 For as the heaven in its height
the earth surmounteth far;
So great to those that do him fear
his tender mercies are:

12 As far as east is distant from the west, so far hath he From us removed, in his love, all our iniquity,

13 Such pity as a father hath unto his children dear; Like pity shews the Lord to such as worship him in fear.

14 For he remembers we are dust, and he our frame well knows.

15 Frail man, his days are like the grass, as flow'r in field he grows:

16 For over it the wind doth pass, and it away is gone; And of the place where once it was it shall no more be known.

- 17 But unto them that do him fear God's mercy never ends; And to their children's children still his righteousness extends:
- 18 To such as keep his covenant, and mindful are alway Of his most just commandements, that they may them obey.

19 The Lord prepared hath his throne in heavens firm to stand: And ev'ry thing that being hath his kingdom doth command.

- 20 O ye his angels that excel in strength, bless ye he Lord; Ye who obey what he commands, and hearken to his word.
- 21 O bless and magnify the Lord, ye glorious hosts of his; Ye ministers, that do fulfil whate'er his pleasure is.
- 22 O bless the Lord, all ye his works, wherewith the world is stor'd In his dominions ev'ry where, My soul, bless thou the Lord.

#### PSALM CIV.

This Psalm was perhaps composed along with the preceding one, and contains, (1.) High celebrations of God as the God of nature; particularly of his appearances in his heavenly palaces, ver. 1—4;—of his creation of the sea and dry land, ver. 5—9; of the provision he makes for his creatures according to their respective needs, ver. 10-28; and of his sovereign dominion and influence over them, ver. 29-32. (2.) Holy resolutions, to meditate on, and praise the Lord, in the view of his destruction of the wicked, ver. 33-35.-- \ Lo! how stretched heavens; how refulgent luminaries; how fertile fields; how towering woods; how roaring seas; how ranging brutes; how labouring men; how flaming Seraphs, unite their force to awaken my soul-to tune my heart to the high praises of her REDEEMER! Let me meet my God, my Christ, in every view. In every sound let me hear his voice. In every form let me discern how great is his goodness, and how great is his beauty! Nor let creation's lower plains detain my heart. Let new covenant-relations to my unbounded ALL: Let my redemption through his blood fix all my thoughts, enrapture all my inward powers, that I may sing Anthems, all on fire, to Him who loved me, and gave himself for me.

1 Bless God, my soul. O Lord my God, thou art exceeding great; With honour and with majesty

thou clothed art in state.

With light, as with a robe, thyself thou coverest about;

And, like unto a curtain, thou the heavens stretchest out.

3 Who of his chambers doth the beams within the waters lay;
Who doth the clouds his chariot make, on wings of wind make way.

4 Who flaming fire his ministers, his angels spr'its, doth make:

5 Who earth's foundations did lay, that it should never shake.

- 6 Thou didst it cover with the deep, as with a garment spread: The waters stood above the hills, when thou the word but said.
- 7 But at the voice of thy rebuke they fled, and would not stay; They at thy thunder's dreadful voice did haste them fast away.
- 8 They by the mountains do ascend, and by the valley-ground Descend, into that very place, which thou for them didst found.
- 9 Thou hast a bound unto them set, that they may not pass over, That they do not return again the face of earth to cover.
- 10 He to the valleys sends the springs, which run among the hills:
- 11 They to all beasts of field give drink, wild asses drink their fills.
- 12 By them the fowls of heav'n shall have their habitation,
  - Which do among the branches sing with delectation.
- 13 He from his chambers watereth
  the hills when they are dry'd:
  With fruit and increase of thy works
  the earth is satisfy'd.
- 14 For cattle he makes grass to grow, he makes the herb to spring

For th' use of man, that food to him he from the earth may bring;

15 And wine, that to the heart of man doth cheerfulness impart,Oil that his face makes shine, and bread that strengtheneth his heart.

16 The trees of God are full of sap; the cedars that do stand In Lebanon, which planted were

by his almighty hand.

17 Birds of the air upon their boughs do choose their nests to make;
As for the stork, the fir-tree she doth for her dwelling take.

18 The lofty mountains for wild goats
a place of refuge be;

The conies also to the rocks do for their safety flee.

19 He sets the moon in heav'n thereby the seasons to discern: From him the sun his certain time of going down doth learn.

20 Thou darkness mak'st, 'tis night, then of forests creep abroad. [beasts

21 The lions young roar for their prey, and seek their meat from God.

22 The sun doth rise, and home they flock, down in their dens they lie.

23 Man goes to work, his labour he doth to the evining ply.

24 How manifold, Lord, are thy works! in wisdom wonderful Thou ev'ry one of them hast made;

earth's of thy riches full:

25 So is this great and spacious sea,
wherein things creeping are,
Which number'd cannot be; and beast;
both great and small are there.

26 There ships go; there thou mak'st to play

that leviathan great.

27 These all wait on thee, that thou may'st in due time give them meat.

28 That which thou givest unto them they gather for their food;
Thine hand thou open'st lib'rally,

they filled are with good.

29 Thou hid'st thy face; they troubled are their breath thou tak'st away;
Then do they die, and to their dust, return again do they.

30 Thy quick'ning spirit thou send'st fort's then they created be;

And then the earth's decayed face

renewed is by thee.

31 The glory of the mighty Lord continue shall for ever:

The Lord JEHOVAH shall rejoic in all his works together.

32 Earth, as affrighted, trembleth all, if he on it but look:

And if the mountains he but touch, they presently do smoke.

33 I will sing to the Lord most high, so long as I shall live;
And while I being have I shall to my God praises give.

34 Of him my meditation shall sweet thoughts to me afford; And as for me, I will rejoice in God, my only Lord.

35 From earth let sinners be consum'd, let ill men no more be.

O thou my soul, bless thou the Lord. Praise to the Lord give ye.

## PSALM CV.

This Psalm was a part of the solemn hymn sung at the translation of the ark from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David, 1 Chron. xvi.; and contains (1.) Solemn calls to meditate on, seek, magnify, and praise God, who is so great, so gracious, and so nearly connected with us, ver. 1-7. (2.) A narrative of the particular mercies of God to Israel for the space of 470 years, as grounds of praise: particularly, (1.) His covenant with their patriarchs, ver. 8-11. (2.) his care of them, while strangers and sojourners, ver. 12-15. (3.) His advancement of Joseph, to be the shepherd and stone of Israel, ver. 16-22. (4.) His increasing of them in Egypt, and at last delivering them from it, in the way of inflicting manifold plagues on the Egyptians, ver. 23-28. (5.) His care of them in the wilderness, and settling them in Canaan, as a peculiar people to Limself, ver. 39-45 .- ¶ While I sing, let my soul, with affecting wonder, think what God is to nie, and what he hath done for me and his church, in prosecuon of his covenant engagements with Jesus Christ.

- 1 GIVE thanks to God, call on his name; to men his deeds make known.
- 2 Sing ye to him, sing psalms; proclaim his wond'rous works each one:
- 3 See that ye in his holy name to glory do accord; And let the heart of ev'ry one rejoice that seeks the Lord.
- 4 The Lord Almighty, and his strength, with stedfast hearts seek ye:
  His blessed and his gracious face

seek ye continually.

- 5 Think on the works that he hath done which admiration breed;
  - His wonders, and the judgments all which from his mouth proceed;
- 6 O ye that are of Abr'ham's race, his servant well approv'n; And ye that Jacob's children are, whom he chose for his own.
- 7 Because he, and he only, is the mighty Lord our God; And his most righteous judgments are

And his most righteous judgments are in all the earth abroad.

8 His cov'nant he remember'd hath, that it may ever stand: To thousand generations the word he did command.

9 Which covenant he firmly made with faithful Abraham,

And unto Isaac, by his oath, he did renew the same:

10 And unto Jacob for a law,
he made it firm and sure,
A covenant to Israel,
which ever should endure.

11 He said, I'll give Canaan's land for heritage to you;

12 While they were strangers there, and few, in number very few:

13 While yet they went from land to land without a sure abode;
And while through sundry kingdoms they did wander far abroad:

14 Yet, notwithstanding, suffer'd he no man to do them wrong: Yea, for their sakes, he did reprove kings, who were great and strong.

15 Thus did he say, Touch ye not those that mine anointed be, Nor do the prophets any harm

that do pertain to me.

16 He call'd for famine on the land,
he brake the staff of bread:

17 But yet he sent a man before, by whom they should be fed;

Ev'n Joseph, whom unnat'rally sell for a slave did they;

18 Whose feet with fetters they did hurt, and he in irons lay;

19 Until the time that his word came to give him liberty;
The word and purpose of the Lord

did him in prison try.

- 20 Then sent the king, and did command that he enlarg'd should be:

  He that the people's ruler was did send to set him free.
- 21 A lord to rule his family
  he rais'd him as most fit;
  To him of all that he possess'd
  he did the charge commit:
- 22 That he might at his pleasure bind the princes of the land;
  And he might teach his senators wisdom to understand.
- 23 The people then of Israel
  down into Egypt carne;
  And Jacob also sojourned
  within the land of Ham.
- 24 And he did greatly by his pow'r increase his people there; And stronger than their enemies they by his blessing were.
- 25 Their heart he turned to envy
  his folk maliciously.
  With those that his own servants
  - With those that his own servants were to deal in subtilty.
- 26 His servant Moses he did send, Aaron his chosen one.

27 By these his signs and wonders great in Ham's land were made known.

28 Darkness he sent, and made it dark;

his word they did obey.

29 He turn'd their waters into blood, and he their fish did slay.

30 The land in plenty brought forth frogs in chambers of their kings.

31 His word all sorts of flies and lice in all their borders brings.

32 He hail for rain, and flaming fire into their land he sent:

33 And he their vines and fig-trees smote; trees of their coasts he rent.

34 He spake, and caterpillars came, locusts did much abound;

35 Which in their land all herbs consum'd, and all fruits of their ground.

36 He smote all first-born in their land, chief of their strength each one.

37 With gold and silver brought them forth, weak in their tribes were none.

38 Egypt was glad when forth they went, their fear on them did light.

39 He spread a cloud for covering, and fire to shine by night.

40 They asked, and he brought quails: with of heav'n he fill'd them. [bread

41 He open'd rocks, floods gush'd, and ran in deserts like a stream.

- 42 For on his holy promise he, and servant Abr'ham, thought.
- 43 With joy his people, his elect with gladness forth he brought.
- 44 And unto them the pleasant lands he of the heathen gave;
  That of the people's labour they inheritance might have.
- 45 That they his statutes might observe according to his word;
  And that they might his laws obey.
  Give praise unto the Lord.

### PSALM CVI.

This Psalm may be considered as a supplement to the preceding. That exhibited to our view the marvellous kindness of God to Israel. This exhibits the fearful rebellions of Israel against their gracious God. have, (1.) A preface ascribing praise to God, and exhibiting comfort to his saints, and requesting favours from God, ver. 1-5. (2.) An alarming confession or narrative of Israel's wickedness against their God, notwithstanding his marvellous kindness to them, in provoking Him at the Red sea, ver. 6-12; in lusting after sensual gratifications, ver. 13-15.; in mutinying against his vicegerents, ver. 16-18; in worshipping the golden calf, ver. 19-23; in murmuring contempt of the promised land, ver. 24-27; in joining with the Moabites and Midianites in the worship of Baalpeor, ver. 28-31; in quarrelling with Moses at Kadish, ver. 32, 33; in incorporating themselves with the Canaanites, and imitating their idolatrous and cruel customs, ver. 34-39. (3.) An affecting view of God's great compassion to Israel, notwithstanding they had provoked him to inflict sore, and almost destructive punishment upon them, ver. 40-46. (4.) An affectionate improvement of his kindness in imploring his powerful deliverance, and ascriptions of endless praises to his name, yer. 47, 48.—
¶ While I sing, let my soul be deeply affected with the dreadful nature of sin, and with men's obstinacy, nay, my own obstinacy therein. Let me, with amazement, behold the unbounded mercy of God to men; and that where sin hath abounded, grace doth much more abound.

1 Give praise and thanks unto the Lord, for bountiful is he;
His tender mercy doth endure unto eternity.

2 God's mighty works who can express? or shew forth all his praise?

3 Blessed are they that judgment keep, and justly do always.

4 Remember me, Lord, with that love which thou to thine dost bear; With thy salvation, O my God, to visit me draw near.

5 That I thy chosen's good may see, and in their joy rejoice; And may with thine inheritance triumph with cheerful voice.

We with our fathers sinned have, and of iniquity Too long we have the workers been; we have done wickedly.

7 The wonders great, which thou, O Lord, didst work in Egypt land,
Our fathers, though they saw, yet them they did not understand:

And they thy mercies' multitude kept not in memory; But at the sea, ev'n the Red sea,

provok'd him grievously.

8 Nevertheless he saved them, ev'n for his own name's sake; That so he might to be well known his mighty power make.

9 When he the Red sea did rebuke, then dried up it was:

Through depths, as through the wilderhe safely made them pass. [ness,

10 From hands of those that hated them
he did his people save;
And from the en'my's cruel hand

to them redemption gave.

11 The waters overwhelm'd their foes; not one was left alive.

12 Then they believed his word, and praise to him in songs did give.

13 But soon did they his mighty works
forget unthankfully,
And on his counsel and his will

And on his counsel and his will did not wait patiently;

14 But much did lust in wilderness, and God in desert tempt.

15 He gave them what they sought, but to their soul he leanness sent.

16 And against Moses in the camp their envy did appear;

At Aaron they, the saint of God, envious also were.

17 Therefore the earth did open wide, and Dathan did devour, And all Abiram's company did cover in that hour.

18 Likewise among their company a fire was kindled then: And so the hot consuming flame burnt up these wicked men.

19 Upon the hill of Horeb they

 an idol-calf did frame,
 A molten image they did make,
 and worshipped the same.

20 And thus their glory, and their God most vainly changed they
Unto the likeness of an ox
that eateth grass or hay.

21 They did forget the mighty God,
that had their saviour been,
By whom such great things brought to
they had in Egypt seen. [pass]

22 In Ham's land he did wond'rous works, things terrible did he, When he his mighty hand and arm

stretch'd out at the Red sea.

23 Then said he, He would them destroy, had not, his wrath to stay,
His chosen Moses stood in breach,
that them he should not slay.

24 Yea, they despis'd the pleasant land, believed not his word:

25 But in their tents they murmured, not heark'ning to the Lord.

26 Therefore in desert them to slay he lifted up his hand:

27 'Mong nations to o'erthrow their seed, and scatter in each land.

28 They unto Baal-peor did themselves associate; The sacrifices of the dead they did profanely eat.

29 Thus by their lewd inventions, they did provoke his ire; And then upon them suddenly the plague brake in as fire.

30 Then Phin'has rose, and justice did and so the plague did cease;

31 That to all ages counted was to him for righteousness.

32 And at the waters, where they strove, they did him angry make,
In such sort that it fared ill
with Moses for their sake:

33 Because they there his spirit meek provoked bitterly,

So that he utter'd with his lips words unadvisedly.

34 Nor, as the Lord commanded them, did they the nations slay:

35 But with the heathen mingled were, and learn'd of them their way.

36 And they their idols serv'd, which did a snare unto them turn.

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37 Their sons and daughters they to dev'ls in sacrifice did burn.

38 In their own children's guiltless blood their hands they did imbrue, Whom to Canaan's idols they

for sacrifices slew.

So was the land defil'd with blood.

- 39 They stain'd with their own way, And with their own inventions a whoring they did stray.
- 40 Against his people kindled was the wrath of God therefore, Insomuch that he did his own inheritance abhor.
- 41 He gave them to the heathen's hand; their foes did them command.
- 42 Their en'mies them oppress'd, they were made subject to their hand.
- 43 He many times deliver'd them; but with their counsel so They him provok'd, that for their sin they were brought very low.

44 Yet their affliction he beheld, when he did hear their cry:

45 And he for them his covenant did call to memory;

After his mercies' multitude

46 he did repent: And made Them to be pity'd of all those who did them captive lead.

47 O Lord our God, us save, and gather the heathen from among,

That we the holy name may project

That we thy holy name may praise in a triumphant song.

48 Bless'd be JEHOVAH, Isr'el's God, to all eternity:

Let all the people say, Amen. Praise to the Lord give ye.

#### PSALM CVII.

This Psalm may be considered as an appendix to the two foregoing. Those represented the providence of God towards his chosen Israelites, who prefigured his Gospel church. This [1] Represents the providences of God to the children of men in general, and calls them to praise him for his kindness and mercy therein: Particularly, (1.) In directing and gathering travellers whom he had justly dispersed, ver. 1-7. (2.) In delivering prisoners whom he had justly confined, ver. 8-14. (3.) In healing the sick whom he had justly plagued ver. 15-22. (4.) In relieving mariners whom he had justly bestormed, ver. 23 -30. (5.) In changing the condition of territories, persons, and families at his pleasure to the comfort of his people, and the restraining of wickedness, ver. 31-42. [2.] It encourageth men to a careful observation of God's providences, ver. 43. - T Let me sing this, with an heart deeply affected with the various providences of God towards myself and others, while we have walked by the way, been confined in prisons, or lain in beds of languishing, traversed the surface of the depths, or laboured in our respective employments. Let me be a careful observer of providences, and compare them with the oracles of God, with my behaviour, and my prayers, and with one

enother. So shall I understand the loving-kindness of th

1 Praise God, for he is good: for still his mercies lasting be.

2 Let God's redeem'd say so, whom he from th' en'my's hand did free;

3 And gather'd them out of the lands from north, south, east, and west.

4 They stray'd in desert's pathless way, no city found to rest.

5 For thirst and hunger in them faints

6 their soul. When straits them press
They cry unto the Lord, and he
them frees from their distress.

7 Them also in a way to walk that right is he did guide, That they might to a city go, wherein they might abide.

8 O that men to the Lord would give praise for his goodness then, And for his works of wonder done unto the sons of men!

9 For he the soul that longing is doth fully satisfy;

With goodness he the hungry soul doth fill abundantly.

10 Such as shut up in darkness deep, and in death's shade abide, Whom strongly hath affliction bound, and irons fast have ty'd: 11 Because against the words of God they wrought rebelliously, And they the counsel did contemn of him that is most High:

12 Their heart he did bring down with grief, they fell, no help could have.

13 In trouble then they cry'd to God, he them from straits did save.

14 He out of darkness did them bring, and from death's shade them take; These bands, wherewith they had been asunder quite he brake. [bound,

15 O that men to the Lord would give praise for his goodness then, And for his works of wonder done unto the sons of men!

16 Because the mighty gates of brass in pieces he did tear, By him in sunder also cut the bars of iron were.

17 Fools, for their sin, and their offence, do sore affliction bear;

18 All kind of meat their soul abhors; they to death's gates draw near.

19 In grief they cry to God; he saves them from their miseries.

20 He sends his word, them heals, and them from their destructions frees.

21 O that men to the Lord would give praise for his goodness then, And for his works of wonder done unto the sons of men!

22 And let them sacrifice to him offirings of thankfulness:
And let them shew abroad his works in songs of joyfulness.

23 Who go to sea in ships, and in great waters trading be,

24 Within the deep these men God's works

and his great wonders see.

25 For he commands, and forth in haste the stormy tempest flies, Which makes the sea with rolling waves aloft to swell and rise.

26 They mount to heav'n then to the depths they do go down again;
Their soul doth faint and melt away with trouble and with pain.

27 They reel and stagger like one drunk,

at their wit's end they be:

28 Then they to God in trouble cry, who them from straits doth free.

29 The storm is chang'd into a calm at his command and will;
So that the waves, which raged before, now quiet are and still.

30 Then are they glad, because at rest and quiet now they be:
So to the haven he them brings,

which they desir'd to see.

- 31 O that men to the Lord would give praise for his goodness then, And for his works of wonder done unto the sons of men!
- 32 Among the people gathered let them exalt his name; Among assembled elders spread his most renowned fame.
- 33 He to dry land turns water-springs, and floods to wilderness;
- 34 For sins of those that dwell therein, fat land to barrenness.
- 35 The burnt and parched wilderness
  to water-pools he brings;
  The ground that was dry'd up before
  he turns to water-springs:
- 36 And there, for dwelling, he a place doth to the hungry give,

  That they a city may prepare commodiously to live.

37 There sow they fields, and vineyards to yield fruits of increase. [plant,

- 38 His blessing makes them multiply, lets not their beasts decrease.
- 39 Again they are diminished, and very low brought down, Through sorrow and affliction, and great oppression.
- 40 He upon princes pours contempt, and causeth them to stray,

And wander in a wilderness, wherein there is no way.

41 Yet setteth he the poor on high from all his miseries,
And he, much like unto a flock,
doth make him families.

42 They that are righteous shall rejoice, when they the same shall see;
And, as ashamed stop her mouth shall all iniquity.

43 Whoso is wise, and will these things observe, and them record,
Ev'n they shall understand the love and kindness of the Lord.

### PSALM CVIII.

The first five verses of this Psalm are taken from Psalm lvii. 7—12.; and contain praises and thanksgivings to God. The other eight are taken from Psalm ix. 5—12.; and contain prayers for, and hopes of promised mercies.

——¶ Never scruple, my soul, to think, or to sing, or to pray over the same subjects of importance; but let there be always a nearness of affection, newness of spiritual vigour.

# A Psalm or Song of David.

1 My heart is fix'd, Lord; I will sing, and with my glory praise.

2 Awake up psaltery and harp; myself I'll early raise.

3 I'll praise thee 'mong the people, Lord 'mong nations sing will I.

4 For above heav'n thy mercy's great, thy truth doth reach the sky.

5 Be thou above the heavens, Lord, exalted gloriously;

Thy glory all the earth above be lifted up on high.

6 That those who thy beloved are delivered may be,

O do thou save with thy right hand, an answer give to me.

7 God in his holiness hath said, herein I will take pleasure; Shechem I will divide, and forth

will Succoth's valley measure.

8 Gilead I claim as mine by right;
Manasseh mine shall be:

Ephraim is of my head the strength;
Judah gives laws for me;

9 Moab's my washing-pot; my shoe 1'll over Edom throw;

Over the land of Palestine I will in triumph go.

10 O who is he will bring me to the city fortify'd?

O who is he that to the land of Edom will me guide?

11 O God, thou who hadst cast us off this thing wilt thou not do?

And wilt not thou, ev'n thou, O God, forth with our armies go?

12 Do thou from trouble give us help, for helpless is man's aid.

13 Through God we shall do valiantly; our foes he shall down tread.

### PSALM CIX.

Probably David penned this Psalm with a view to Doeg or Ahitophel; and hence it is much akin to the 41st, 52d, 55th, 120th, and 140th. But the Holy Ghost, herein hath a mediate respect to Jesus and Judas the traitor, Acts i. 20. Observe, (1.) The Psalmist's bitter complaints of his enemies, as spiteful, deceitful, false, restless, unjust, ungrateful, ver. 1-5. (2.) His fearful denunciations of divine vengeance against his distinguished foe, That he should be delivered into the hand of Satan ;- should have his prayers rejected, his life shortened, his substance wasted, and his posterity rendered miserable, ver. 6-20. (3.) His lamentation over his inward trouble, his approaching death, his instability of condition, pining sickness, reproach of enemies, and his prayers for mercy to himself, confusion to his enemies, and glory to his God, ver. 21-(4.) His triumph in God, as his supporter and de liverer, amidst all his troubles, ver. 30, 31.- While I sing, let me be affected with the sufferings of my Redeemer, and with the misery of those Jews and others, who abandon themselves to be his obstinate opposers. Let me implore, and by faith foresee, the complete ruin of all my spiritual enemies; and the full redemption of my soul, and of the whole mystical body of Christ, notwithstanding all our sinful poverty and plagues.

## To the chief Musician, a Psalm of David.

1 O THOU the God of all my praise, do thou not hold thy peace;

2 For mouths of wicked men to speak against me do not cease:

The mouths of vile deceitful men against me open'd be;

And with a false and lying tongue they have accused me.

3 They did beset me round about with words of hateful spite:
And though to them no cause I gave,

against me they did fight.

4 They for my love became my foes, but I me set to pray.

5 Evil for good, hatred for love, to me they did repay.

6 Set thou the wicked over him; and upon his right hand Give thou his greatest enemy,

ev'n Satan, leave to stand.

7 And when by thee he shall be judg'd,
let him condemned be:

And let his pray'r be turn'd to sin, when he shall call on thee.

S Few be his days, and in his room his charge another take.

9 His children let be fatherless, his wife a widow make.

10 His children let be vagabonds, and beg continually;

And from their places desolate seek bread for their supply.

11 Let covetous extortioners catch all he hath away:

Of all for which he labour'd hath let strangers make a prey.

12 Let there be none to pity him, let there be none at all That on his children fatherless will let his mercy fall.

13 Let his posterity from earth
cut off for ever be,
And in the foll'wing age their name

be blotted out by thee.

14 Let God his father's wickedness still to remembrance call; And never let his mother's sin be blotted out at all.

15 But let them all before the Lord appear continually,
That he may wholly from the earth

cut off their memory.

16 Because he mercy minded not,
but persecuted still
The poor and needy, that he might

the broken-hearted kill.

17 As he in cursing pleasure took, so let it to him fall; As he delighted not to bless,

so bless him not at all.

18 As cursing he like clothes put on, into his bowels so,

Like water, and into his bones, like oil down let it go. 19 Like to the garment let it be which doth himself array, And for a girdle, wherewith he is girt about alway.

20 From God let this be their reward that en'mies are to me, And their reward that speak against my soul maliciously.

21 But do thou for thine own name's sake,
O God the Lord, for me:
Sith good and sweet thy mercy is,
from trouble set me free,

22 For I am poor and indigent, afflicted sore am I, My heart within me also is

My heart within me also is wounded exceedingly.

23 I pass like a declining shade, am like the locust tost:

24 My knees through fasting weaken'd are, my flesh hath fatness lost.

25 I also am a vile reproach unto them made to be; And they that did upon me look did shake their heads at me.

26 O do thou help and succour me, who art my God and Lord: And for thy tender mercy's sake, safety to me afford:

27 That thereby they may know that this

is thy almighty hand;

And that thou, Lord, hast done the same, they may well understand.

28 Although they curse with spite, yet, Lord, bless thou with loving voice:
Let them asham'd be when they rise;
thy servant let rejoice.

29 Let thou mine adversaries all with shame be clothed over; And let their own confusion them, as a mantle, cover.

30 But as for me, I with my mouth will greatly praise the Lord;
And I among the multitude his praises will record.

31 For he shall stand at his right hand
who is in poverty,
To save him from all those that would
condemn his soul to die.

### PSALM CX.

This Psalm relates wholly to Jesus Christ: And represents Him, (1.) In his glorious offices, as a Prophet, gathering the nations by the proclamations of his gospel, the rod of his strength, ver. 2, 3; as our great High Priest, ver. 4; and as our exalted, victorious, and governing King, ver. 2, 3, 5, 6. (2.) In his diversified states of debasement and exaltation, ver. 7, 1, 5.——¶ While I sing, let my eyes be fixed, wholly fixed, on my glorious Redeemer. Behold! how having by himself purged our sins, he sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high! Behold him, by the word of his grace, subduing multitudes of sinful men to himself! Behold him

able to save to the uttermost, because he ever liveth to make intercession for us. And, let my mouth be filled with Hallelujahs and Hosannas in the highest, to Him, who by water and by blood, cometh in the name of the Lord to save me.

# A Psalm of David.

1 The Lord did say unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, Until I make thy foes a stool, whereon thy feet may stand.

2 The Lord shall out of Sion send the rod of thy great pow'r: In midst of all thine enemies be thou the governor.

3 A willing people in thy day of pow'r shall come to thee, In holy beauties from morn's womb; thy youth like dew shall be.

4 The Lord himself hath made an oath, and will repent him never.
Of th' order of Melchisedec thou art a priest for ever.

5 The glorious and mighty Lord, that sits at thy right hand, Shall, in his day of wrath, strike through kings that do him withstand.

6 He shall among the heathen judge, he shall with bodies dead The places fill: o'er many lands he wound shall ev'ry head. 7 The brook that runneth in the way with drink shall him supply;
And, for this cause, in triumph he shall lift his head on high.

### PSALM CXI.

In this Psalm, every sentence of which begins with a new letter of the Hebrew alphabet, we have, (1.) The praising of God inculcated and exemplified, ver. 1. (2.) The grounds of praise exhibited, viz. That God himself is gracious and full of compassion, and ever mindful of his covenant; and that his works are magnificent, pleasant, righteous, wonderful, perfect, kind, prudent, and durable, and all conformed to his promise and covenant, ver. 2—9. (3.) A recommendation of an holy and reverential obedience to God, as the beginning of wisdom, ver. 10.——¶ While I sing, let my heart be all inflamed with the believing consideration of the marvellous works of redemption, as wrought for and on my soul,—all filled with that love, which casteth out slavish fear, but powerfully promotes the filial reverence and awe of God.

1 Praise ye the Lord: with my whole heart
I will God's praise declare,
Where the assemblies of the just
and congregations are.

2 The whole works of the Lord our God are great above all measure,
Sought out they are of ev'ry one that doth therein take pleasure.

3 His work most honourable is, most glorious and pure, And his untainted righteousness for ever doth endure.

4 His works most wonderful he hath made to be thought upon:

The Lord is gracious, and he is full of compassion.

5 He giveth meat unto all those that truly do him fear; And evermore his covenant

And evermore his covenant he in his mind will bear.

- 6 He did the power of his works unto his people show, When he the heathen's heritage upon them did hestow.
- 7 His handy-works are truth and right; all his commands are sure:

8 And, done in truth and uprightness, they evermore endure.

9 He sent redemption to his folk; his covenant for aye

He did command: holy his name and rev'rend is alway.

10 Wisdom's beginning is God's fear: good understanding they Have all that his commands fulfil:

his praise endures for aye.

### PSALM CXII.

This Psalm is also alphabetically composed, and contains, (l.) Invitations to praise God, ver. 1. (2) A de-

lineation of the saints' character and blessedness; That they are well principled, honest, sincere, and kind: and shall be blessed with prosperity outward and inward, with comfort amidst griefs, wisdom amidst perplexity; and with honour and stability; and shall have their posterity blessed after them, ver. 2—9. (3.) The misery of the wicked, ver. 10.——¶ While I sing this, let me try my character, and rejoice in hope of being blessed in Christ Jesus, with all spiritual, temporal, and everlasting blessings.

1 Praise ye the Lord. The man is bless'd that fears the Lord aright,
He who in his commandements
doth greatly take delight.

2 His seed and offspring powerful shall be the earth upon: Of upright men blessed shall be

the generation.

3 Riches and wealth shall ever be within his house in store;
And his unspotted righteousness endures for evermore.

4 Unto the upright light doth rise, though he in darkness be:
Compassionate, and merciful,

and righteous, is he.

5 A good man doth his favour shew, and doth to others lend: He with discretion his affairs will guide unto the end.

5 Surely there is not any thing that ever shall him move:

The righteous man's memorial shall everlasting prove.

 7 When he shall evil tidings hear, he shall not be afraid:
 His heart is fix'd, his confidence upon the Lord is stay'd.

8 His heart is firmly stablished,
afraid he shall not be,
Until upon his enemies
he his desire shall see.

9 He hath dispers'd, giv'n to the poor:
his righteousness shall be
To ages all; with honour shall
his horn be raised high.

10 The wicked shall it see, and fret, his teeth gnash, melt away: What wicked men do most desire shall utterly decay.

### PSALM CXIII.

This Psalm with the five immediately following, were called the great Hallelujah, and used to be sung at the passover supper, Matth. xxvi. 30. Here, (1.) We are solemnly called to celebrate the praises of God, ver. 1—3. (2.) We are plentifully furnished with matter of praise, viz. the heights of his glory and greatness, and the depths of his condescension and grace, ver. 4—9.

——¶ Think, () my soul, what the Lord hath done for me! and for mine! and for mankind!

1 Praise God: ye servants of the Lord, O praise, the Lord's name praise. 2 Yea, blessed be the name of God from this time forth always.

3 From rising sun to where it sets, God's name is to be prais'd.

4 Above all nation's God is high, 'bove heav'ns his glory rais'd.

5 Unto the Lord our God that dwells on high who can compare?

6 Himself that humbleth things to see in heav'n and earth that are.

7 He from the dust doth raise the poor, that very low doth lie; And from the dunghill lifts the man oppress'd with poverty;

8 That he may highly him advance, and with the princes set; With those that of his people are the chief, ev'n princes great.

9 The barren woman house to keep he maketh, and to be Of sons a mother full of joy. Praise to the Lord give ye.

### PSALM CXIV.

In this Psalm are celebrated, (1.) God's bringing Israel out of their Egyptian slavery, ver. 1. (2.) His setting up his Tabernacle among them, and taking them for his peculiar people, ver. 2. (3.) His dividing the Red Sea and Jordan before them, ver. 3, 5. (4.) His awful descent on Mount Sinzi, to give them his law, ver. 4, 6, 7. (5.) His

providing them with water from the flinty rocks, ver. 8. ——¶ While I sing, let my soul be affected with the grace, the glory, the power of my God; and with the mighty things he hath done for men, chiefly in the work of our redemption; and be encouraged to trust Him in the greatest straits.

1 When Isr'el out of Egypt went, and did his dwelling change, When Jacob's house went out from those that were of language strange.

2 He Judah did his sanctuary, his kingdom Isr'el make:

3 The sea it saw, and quickly fled, Jordan was driven back.

4 Like rams the mountains, and like lambs the hills skipp'd to and fro.

5 O sea, why fledd'st thou? Jordan, back why wast thou driven so?

6 Ye mountains great, wherefore was it that ye did skip like rams? And wherefore was it, little hills, that ye did leap like lambs?

7 O at the presence of the Lord, earth, tremble thou for fear, While as the presence of the God of Jacob doth appear:

8 Who from the hard and stony rock did standing water bring;
And by his pow'r did turn the flint into a water spring.

This Psalm instructs us, (1.) To whom glory and praise ought to be ascribed: Not to ourselves, but to God's mercy and truth, ver. 1: Not to lifeless senseless idols, but to God, whose throne is in the heavens, and who doth whatever he pleaseth, ver. 2—8, 15, 16. (2.) How we are to glorify God, (1.) By trusting in him, crediting, his promise, and receiving his blessings, ver. 9—15. (2.) By blessing him while we live, ver. 17, 18.——¶ Learn, my soul, to deny thyself, to take up thy cross and follow Christ, and to keep thyself from idols. But make Jehovah, as reconciled in Christ, thy portion, thy trust, thy help, thy shield, thy blessedness, thy comfort, thy praise; and consider thine earthly enjoyments as the gracious gifts of thy God, and an earnest of thy far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory.

1 Nor unto us, Lord, not to us, but do thou glory take Unto thy name, ev'n for thy truth, and for thy mercy's sake.

2 O wherefore should the heathen say, Where is their God now gone?

- 3 But our God in the heavens is, what pleas'd him he hath done.
- 4 Their idols silver are and gold, work of men's hands they be.
- 5 Mouths have they, but they do not speak; and eyes, but do not see;
- 6 Ears have they, but they do not hear; noses, but savour not;
- 7 Hands, feet, but handle not, nor walk; nor speak they through their throat.
- 8 Like them their makers are, and all on them their trust that build.

9 O Isr'el, trust thou in the Lord, he is their help and shield.

10 O Aaron's house, trust in the Lord, their help and shield is he.

11 Ye that fear God, trust in the Lord, their help and shield he'll be.

12 The Lord of us hath mindful been, and he will bless us still:

He will the house of Israel bless, bless Aaron's house he will.

13 Both small and great, that fear the Lord, he will them surely bless.

14 The Lord will you, you and your seed, aye more and more increase.

15 O blessed are ye of the Lord, who made the earth and heav'n,

16 The heav'n, ev'n heav'ns, are God's but he earth to men's sous hath giv'n.

17 The dead, nor who to silence go, God's praise do not record:

18 But henceforth we for ever will bless God. Praise ye the Lord.

#### PSALM CXVI.

This is a Psalm of thanksgiving, somewhat similiar to the 18th, 30th, 40th, and 103d, and represents, (1.) The Psalmist's great distress and danger, which had almost driven him to despair, ver 3, 10 11. (2.) The application he made to God, by prayer, for relief, and his experience of God's gracious kindness, in granting his requests: in

hearing, pitying, and delivering him, ver. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8. (3.) His sincere and hearty resolutions to make a grateful acknowledgment of God's kindness, by loving him, ver. 1; continuing to call on him and receive from him, ver. 2, 13, 17; resting in him, ver. 7; walking before him as his devoted servant, ver. 9, 16; public confession of God's tender regard to him, ver. 12, 15; and sincere and public paying of his vows to him, ver. 10—19.——¶ While I sing, let me think, as before God, what of these blessings I have experienced: What of these duties I have earnestly practised. If God hath redeemed me from the broken law;—from the lowest hell, from the mouth of the infernal lion, and from the power of my corrupt lusts;—let my soul, and all that is within me, be stirred up to bless his holy name; and let me never lose the heart animating impressions of his benefits.

I Love the Lord because my voice and prayers he did hear.

2 I, while I live, will call on him, who bow'd to me his ear.

Of death the cords and sorrows did about me compass round;
 The pains of hell took hold on me:
 I grief and trouble found.

4 Upon the name of God the Lord then did I call, and say,
Deliver thou, my soul, O Lord,
I do thee humbly pray.

5 God merciful and righteous is, yea, gracious is our Lord.

6 God saves the meek: I was brought low, he did me help afford.

7 O thou my soul, do thou return unto thy quiet rest; For largely, lo, the Lord to thee his bounty hath exprest.

8 For my distressed soul from death delivered was by thee:

Thou didst my mourning eyes from tears, my feet from falling free.

9 I in the land of those that live will walk the Lord before.

10 I did believe, therefore I spake:
I was afflicted sore.

II I said, when I was in my haste, that all men liars be.

12 What shall I render to the Lord for all his gifts to me?

13 I'll of salvation take the cup, on God's name will I call:

14 I'll pay my vows now to the Lord before his people all.

15 Dear in God's sight is his saints' death.

16 Thy servant, Lord, am I; Thy servant sure, thine handmaid's son: my bands thou didst untie.

17 Thank-off'rings I to thee will give, and on God's name will call.

18 I'll pay my vows now to the Lord before his people all;

19 Within the courts of God's own house, within the midst of thee,

O city of Jerusalem: Praise to the Lord give ye.

#### PSALM CXVII.

This Psalm relates to the gospel-church. Here are (1) A short but solemn call, to the redeemed of all nations, to praise their God, ver. 1. (2.) Rich matter of praise suggested, viz. the unbounded mercy and everlasting faithfulness of God; and hence the fulness, kindness, and stability of the covenant-promises, and the accomplishment thereof, ver. 2.— ¶ If the Psalm be short, let me sing it in the full assurance of faith, and with a heart all inflamed with loving-kindness, and all enraptured with admiration of the goodness of God towards meu, towards the Gentiles, and towards my soul.

 O give ye praise unto the Lord, all nations that be;
 Likewise, ye people all, accord his name to magnify.

2 For great to us-ward ever are his loving-kindnesses:
His truth endures for evermore.
The Lord O do ye bless.

### PSALM CXVIII.

This Psalm was probably composed by David, soon after his advancement to, and settlement on his throne, 2 Sam. v. viii. and contains, (1) His earnest exhortations to persons of all ranks, offices, and states, to praise the Lord, for his everlasting mercy and kindness, ver. 1—4. (2.) By a recital of the great and gracious things which God hath done for him, he encourageth himself and others to trust in God alone, ver. 5—18. (3.) His thanksgivings

for God's advancement of him to the throne, notwithstanding of all opposition, -as typical of the exaltation of Jesus Christ, ver. 19-23. (4') His, and the priests' and people's triumph in the expected prosperity of his reign, and of the flourishing kingdom of Christ, ver. 24-29. While I sing let my soul soar aloft to Jesus and his sure mercies. Let me behold him who, for the suffering of death, was made a little lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honour, having all his enemies put under his feet, but himself invested with all power in heaven and in earth, -and furnished with all gifts for men; yea for the rebellious also, that God the Lord may dwell among them; and, as the God of their salvation, daily load them with his benefits. Let me rejoice in his highness, and have myself, and all my services, bound with cords to his altar; and God forbid, I should conclude the notes, without entering into the very marrow of the sense. Thou art MY God, I will thee exalt: MY God I will thee praise.

1 O PRAISE the Lord, for he is good: his mercy lasteth ever.

2 Let those of Israel now say, His mercy faileth never.

3 Now let the house of Aaron say, His mercy lasteth ever.

4 Let those that fear the Lord now say, His mercy faileth never.

5 I in distress call'd on the Lord; the Lord did answer me: He in a large place did me set, from trouble made me free.

6 The mighty Lord is on my side,
I will not be afraid:

For any thing that man can do I shall not be dismay'd.

7 The Lord doth take my part with them that help to succour me:

Therefore on those that do me hate

I my desire shall see.

8 Better it is to trust in God than trust in man's defence;

- 9 Better to trust in God than make princes our confidence.
- 10 The nations, joining all in one,
  did compass me about:
  But in the Lord's most holy name
  I shall them all root out.
- 11 They compass'd me about; I say, they compass'd me about: But in the Lord's most holy name I shall them all root out.
- 12 Like bees they compass'd me about:
  like unto thorns that flame
  They quenched are: for them shall I
  destroy in God's own name.

13 Thou sore has thrust, that I might fall, but my Lord helped me.

14 God my salvation is become, my strength and song is he.

15 In dwellings of the righteous is heard the melodyOf joy and health: the Lord's right hand doth ever valiantly.

16 The right hand of the mighty Lord exalted is on high;

The right hand of the mighty Lord

doth ever valiantly.

17 I shall not die, but live, and shall the works of God discover.

18 The Lord hath me chastised sore, but not to death giv'n over.

19 O set ye open unto me the gates of righteousness; Then will I enter into them, and I the Lord will bless.

20 This is the gate of God, by it the just shall enter in.

Thee will I praise, for thou me heard'st, and hast my safety been.

22 That stone is made head corner-stone. which builders did despise:

23 This is the doing of the Lord, and wondrous in our eyes.

24 This is the day God made, in it we'll joy triumphantly.

25 Save now, I pray thee, Lord; I pray,

send now prosperity.

26 Blessed is he in God's great name that cometh us to save: We, from the house which to the Lord pertains, you blessed have.

27 God is the Lord, who unto us hath made light to arise:

Bind ye unto the altar's horns with cords the sacrifice.

28 Thou art my God, I'll thee exalt; my God I will thee praise.

29 Give thanks to God, for he is good: his mercy lasts always.

### PSALM CXIX.

This Psalm is a collection of David's precious thoughts, sorrowful complaints, humble petitions, and holy resolutions, which it seems he had wrote down as they occurred; and which, in the end of his life, he digested into the form in which they now stand, consisting of as many parts as there are letters in the Hebrew alphabet, the eight verses of each always beginning with the same letter in the original. The general scope of it is to magnify God's word, and make it honourable. To intimate that it informs us of whatever we ought to expect from God in the way of gracious donation; and of whatever he may expect from us in the way of grateful returns of duty; it is represented under ten different characters, one or other of which is to be found in every verse, excepting the 122d, and 123d.—As God's Law, because framed and published by him as a sovereign; -His COMMANDMENTS, because given with authority, and lodged with us as a trust ;- His PRECEPTS, because peremptorily prescribed, and not left as a thing indifferent ;- His STATUTES, because it is fixed and determined, and of perpetual obligation ;- His WORD, because it is the declaration of his mind, and Christ his essential Word is ALL and IN ALL therein :- His WAY, because it represents Christ, the way, the Truth, and the Life, and is the rule of our faith and obedience :- His TESTIMONIES, because therein God, upon his word, his oath, and writ, declares to men the truths necessary to be known, in order to his honour and their salvation, -as ratified in the death of his Son ;- His JUDGMENTS, because it is framed in infinite wisdom, and by it we must both judge and be judged, -but in ver. 75, 84. 121, Judgment denotes righteous conduct ; -- it is called his RICHTEOUS-

NESS, because it is holy, just, and good, and is the perfect standard of righteousness; and his Truth or Faithfulness, because its leading truths are eternal; and the faithfulness of God is pledged in every point thereof.——¶ While I sing, let me, all along, enter into the spirit of the Psalm. Let my delight be in God's testimonies; my desire after God's presence; and my endeavours to have God honoured. Let God's word be my rule, my Sod, my armour, my wealth, my comfort; and God himself as therein revealed and bestowed, be my everlasting and infinite all.

### ALEPH. The 1st Part.

Here, (1.) David marks out holy men as the only blessed men, ver. 1—3. (2.) Begs that to his own honour and satisfaction, he may be helped of God to an upright observance of his laws, ver. 4—6. (3.) In the faith of God's direction and assistance, he resolves to praise and obey him, ver. 7, 8.

- BLESSED are they that undefil'd, and straight are in the way;
   Who in the Lord's most holy law do walk, and do not stray.
- 2 Blessed are they who to observe his statutes are inclin'd; And who do seek the living God with their whole heart and mind.
- 3 Such in his ways do walk, and they do no iniquity.
- 4 Thou hast commanded us to keep thy precepts carefully.
- 5 O that thy statutes to observe thou would'st my ways direct!

6 Then shall I not be sham'd, when I thy precepts all respect.

7 Then with integrity of heart
thee will I praise and bless,
When I the judgments all have learn'd
of thy pure righteousness.

8 That I will keep thy statutes all

firmly resolved have I:

O do not then, most gracious God,
forsake me utterly.

### BETH. The 2nd. Part.

He (1.) Points out the proper method of mortifying lusts, and attaining true holiness, ver. 9. (2.) Professeth his attachment to God and his word, and supplicates wisdom, direction and, support, ver. 10—12. (3.) Reflects with satisfaction on his former regard to God's truths and ways, ver 13, 14. And (4.) Resolves to persevere therein, ver. 15, 16.

9 By what means shall a young man learn his way to purify?

If he according to thy word thereto attentive be.

10 Unfeignedly thee have I sought with all my soul and heart;

O let me not from the right path of thy commands depart.

11 Thy word I in my heart have hid, that I offend not thee.

12 O Lord, thou ever blessed art, thy statutes teach thou me. 13 The judgments of thy mouth each one my lips declared have:

14 More joy thy testimonies' way than riches all me gave.

15 I will thy holy precepts make my meditation; And carefully I'll have respect unto thy ways each one.

16 Upon thy statutes my delight shall constantly be set:

And, by thy grace, I never will thy holy word forget.

#### GIMEL. The 3d Part.

With eagerness and longings of heart he supplicates divine favour, and instruction in God's truths, ver. 17—20.
 Remarks the just vengeance of God upon such as wander from his ways, ver. 21. (3.) Supplicates preservation from reproach, as he observed, meditated on, delighted in, and consulted God's words, in all his conduct, ver. 22—24.

17 With me thy servant, in thy grace, deal bountifully, Lord;
That by thy favour I may live, and duly keep thy word.

18 Open mine eyes, that of thy law the wonders I may see.

19 I am a stranger on this earth, hide not thy laws from me.

20 My soul within me breaks, and doth much fainting still endure, Through longing that it hath all times unto thy judgments pure.

21 Thou hast rebuk'd the cursed proud, who from thy precepts swerve.

22 Reproach and shame remove from me, for I thy laws observe.

23 Against me princes spake with spite, while they in council sat:
But I thy servant did upon

thy statutes meditate.

24 My comfort, and my heart's delight,
 thy testimonies be;
 And they, in all my doubts and tears,
 are counsellors to me.

### DALETH. The 4th Part.

He (1.) Represents his distress, and his behaviour under it, ver. 25, 26, 28, 30, 31. (2.) Supplicates spiritual quickening, instruction, strength, rectitude of sentiment, and honour, in the Lord's way, ver. 25—31. (3.) Resolves, under the influences of heaven, to be more active in holiness, ver. 32.

25 My soul to dust cleaves; quicken me according to thy word.

26 My ways I shew'd and me thou heard'st: teach me thy statutes, Lord.

27 The way of thy commandements
make me aright to know:
So all thy works that wondrous are
I shall to others show.

28 My soul doth melt and drop away, for heaviness and grief:
To me. according to thy word, give strength, and send relief.

29 From me the wicked way of lies
let far removed be;
And graciously thy holy law
do thou grant unto me.

30 I chosen have the perfect way of truth and verity:Thy judgments that most righteous are before me laid have I.

31 I to thy testimonies cleave; shame do not on me cast.

32 I'll run thy precepts' way, when thou my heart enlarged hast.

## HE. The 5th Part.

He (1.) Prays for divine instructions, sanctifying influences, and quickening grace, and for the accomplishment of God's promises to him; and against covetousness, vanity, and reproach, ver. 33—40. (2.) Enforces his requests from his holy resolutions, his relation to God, his zeal for his honour, and his regard to his excellent declarations, promises, and precepts, ver. 33, 34, 38, 39, 40.

33 Teach me, O Lord, the perfect way
of thy precepts divine,
And to observe it to the end
I shall my heart incline.
31 Give understanding unto me,

so keep thy law shall I;

Yea, ev'n with my whole heart I shall observe it carefully.

35 In thy law's path make me to go; for I delight therein.

36 My heart unto thy testimonies, and not to greed, incline.

37 Turn thou away my sight and eyes from viewing vanity;
And in thy good and holy way

be pleas'd to quicken me.

38 Confirm to me thy gracious word, which I did gladly hear, Ev'n to thy servant, Lord, who is devoted to thy fear.

39 Turn thou away my fear'd reproach; for good thy judgments be,

40 Lo, for thy precepts I have long'd; in thy truth quicken me.

### VAU. The 6th Part.

Here are (1.) The prayers he presented to God, ver. 41, 43. (2.) The graces he exercised upon God and his word, faith, hope, love, ver. 42, 43, 47, 48. (3.) The practice he resolved on, through grace, to keep God's law; to seek and cheerfully practise his precepts; boldly publish his truth to others; and to delight in, meditate on, and zealously reduce them to practice, ver. 44—48.

41 Let thy sweet mercies also come and visit me, O Lord;
Ev'n thy benign salvation, according to thy word.

42 So shall I have wherewith I may give him an answer just, Who spitefully reproacheth me;

for in thy word I trust.

43 The word of truth out of my mo

43 The word of truth out of my mouth take thou not utterly;
For on thy judgments righteous my hope doth still rely.

44 So shall I keep for evermore thy law continually.

- 45 And, sith that I thy precepts seek,
  I'll walk at liberty.
- 46 I'll speak thy word to kings, and I with shame shall not be mov'd;

47 And will delight myself always in thy laws which I lov'd,

48 To thy commandments which I lov'd, my hands lift up I will;
And I will also meditate upon thy statutes still.

## ZAIN. The 7th Part.

Represents (1.) The comfort he found in God's word, ver. 49, 50, 52, 54. (2.) His desire that God would fulfil his promises, ver. 49; and his care to remember, think on, and practise God's truths, ver. 51, 52—55, 56. (3.) The injurious reproach he suffered from the wicked; and his abhorrence of their sin, and dread of their punishment, ver. 51, 53.

49 Remember, Lord, thy gracious word thou to thy servant spake,

Which, for a ground of my sure hope, thou causedst me to take.

50 This word of thine my comfort is in mine affliction:

For in my straits I am reviv'd by this thy word alone.

51 The men whose hearts with pride are did greatly me deride: [stuff'd Yet from thy straight commandments

I have not turn'd aside.

52 Thy judgments righteous, O Lord, which thou of old forth gave, I did remember, and myself by them comforted have.

53 Horror took hold on me, because ill men thy law forsake,

54 I in my house of pilgrimage thy laws my songs do make.

55 Thy name by night, Lord, I did mind, and I have kept thy law.

56 And this I had, because thy word I kept, and stood in awe.

## CHETH. The 8th Part.

We have here, (4.) The portion he chose, ver. 57, (2.) The purpose he formed, ver. 57. (3.) The prayers he offered up for favour, mercy, and instruction, ver. 58—64. (4.) The penitential care he took to obey God's law, ver. 59, 60, 61. (5.) The complaint he uttered, ver. 61. (6) His fervent thanksgiving, ver. 62, (7.) His choice companion, ver. 63. (8.) His deep sense of God's abundant mercy and grace, ver. 64.

57 Thou my sure portion art alone, which I did choose, O Lord:
I have resolv'd, and said, that I would keep thy holy word.

58 With my whole heart I did entreat
thy face and favour free:
According to thy gracious word

be merciful to me.

59 I thought upon my former ways, and did my life well try; And to thy testimonies pure my feet then turned I.

60 I did not stay, nor linger long, as those that slothful are;
But hastily thy laws to keep myself I did prepare.

61 Bands of ill men me robb'd; yet I thy precepts did not slight.

62 I'll rise at midnight thee to praise, ev'n for thy judgments right.

63 I am companion to all those who fear, and thee obey.

64 O Lord, thy mercy fills the earth: teach me thy laws, I pray.

# TETH. The 9th Part.

Contains (1.) Hearty acknowledgments of God's faithfulness and goodness, and of the excellency and usefulness of his word. ver. 65, 68, 72. (2.) Humble acknowledgments of the advantage he had received from his afflictions

ver. 67, 71. (3.) Complaints of the pride, calumnious reproach, and luxurious stupidity of wicked men, ver. 69, 70. (4.) Supplications for divine instruction ver. 66, 68. (5.) Declarations of his regard to God's word, and resolutions to persevere in the observance thereof, ver 66—72.

65 Well hast thou with thy servant dealt, as thou didst promise give.

66 Good judgment me, and knowledge teach, for I thy word believe.

67 Ere I afflicted was I stray'd;

but now I keep thy word.
68 Both good thou art, and good thou do'st:
teach me thy statutes, Lord.

69 The men that are puff'd up with pride against me forg'd a lie;
Yet thy commandements observe with my whole heart will I.

70 Their hearts, through worldly ease and as fat as grease they be: [wealth, But in thy holy law I take delight continually.

71 It hath been very good for me that I afflicted was, That I might well instructed be, and learn thy holy laws.

72 The word that cometh from thy mouth is better unto me

Than many thousands and great sums of gold and silver be.

## JOD. The 10th Part.

Contains, (1.) Thankful acknowledgments of God's kindness in creation, and of his equity and faithfulness in afflicting, ver. 73, 75. (2.) Earnest supplications for divine instruction, and for fresh discoveries of God's mercy; and for the confusion of enemies, and the comfortable fellowship of friends; and for an honourable soundness of heart, ver. 73, 76, 77, 79, 80. (3.) Holy joy in the comfort of fellow saints, and especially in God's mercy and word, ver. 74, 76, 77. (4.) A holy resolution to meditate on and cleave to God's testimonies amidst persecution, ver. 78.

73 Thou mad'st and fashion'dst me: thy laws to know give wisdom, Lord.

74 So who thee fear shall joy to see me trusting in thy word.

75 That very right thy judgments are
I know, and do confess:
And that thou hast afflicted me
in truth and faithfulness.

76 O let thy kindness merciful,
I pray thee comfort me,
As to thy servant faithfully
was promised by thee.

77 And let thy tender mercies come to me, that I may live;
Because thy holy laws to me sweet delectation give.

78 Lord, let the proud ashamed be; for they without a cause,

With me perversely dealt: but I will muse upon thy laws.

79 Let such as fear thee, and have known thy statutes turn to me.

80 My heart let in thy laws be sound, that sham'd I never be.

## CAPH. The 11th Part.

Contains, (1.) Bitter complaints of great and long distress, ver. 81—87. (2.) Fervent supplications for speedy comfort, help, and quickening, ver. 82, 86, 88. (3.) Pleas, wherewith these supplications are enforced; as that his distress was become insupportable; that his hope was in God's word, and he clave to it in his profession and practice; that his life was but short, to have so much of it spent in the furnace of affliction; that the malice and pride of his enemies were excessive; and, in fine, that God's loving-kindness was infinite, ver. 81—88.

81 My soul for thy salvation faints; yet I thy word believe.

82 Mine eyes fail for thy word: I say, When wilt thou comfort give?

83 For like a bottle I'm become,
that in the smoke is set:
I'm black, and parch'd with grief; yet I
thy statutes not forget.

84 How many are thy servant's days?
when wilt thou execute
Just judgment on these wicked men
that do me persecute?

85 The proud have digged pits for me, which is against thy laws.

- 86 Thy words all faithful are: help me, pursu'd without a cause.
- 87 They so consum'd me, that on earth my life they scarce did leave:
  Thy precepts yet forsook I not,
  but close to them did cleave.

88 After thy loving-kindness, Lord, me quicken and preserve: The testimony of thy mouth so shall I still observe.

## LAMED. The 12th Part.

Represents (1.) The eternity and unchangeableness of God's words and works, ver. 89, 90, 91. (2) The advantage of delighting in and cleaving to God's truths, ver. 92, 93. (3) God's interest in men, a reason of his saving the observers of his law, ver. 94. (4.) David's adherence to God's truths amidst furious persecution, ver. 95. (5.) The superlative excellency of God's word above all earthly enjoyments, ver. 96.

- 89 Thy word for ever is, O Lord, in heaven settled fast;
- 90 Unto all generations
  thy faithfulness doth last:
  The earth thou hast established,
  and it abides by thee.
- 91 This day they stand as thou ordain'dst; for all thy servants be.
- 92 Unless in thy most perfect law my soul delights had found,

I should have perished, when as my troubles did abound.

93 Thy precepts I will ne'er forget; they quick'ning to me brought.

94 Lord, I am thine; O save thou me: thy precepts I have sought.

95 For me the wicked have laid wait, me seeking to destroy: But I thy testimonies true,

consider will with joy.

96 And end of all perfection
here have I seen, O God:
But as for thy commandement,
it is exceeding broad.

# MEM. The 13th Part.

Represents the Psalmist's ardent affection to God's law, ver. 97. Because (1.) Thereby he had attained much useful knowledge and wisdom, ver. 98—100. (2) Thereby he was enabled to refrain from and hate sin, ver. 101, 104. (3.) Thereby he was preserved steady in the path of his duty, ver. 101, 102. (4.) Thereby he obtained much comfort to his soul, ver. 103.

97 O how love I thy law! it is my study all the day:

98 It makes me wiser than my foes; for it doth with me stay.

99 Than all my teachers now I have more understanding far;
Because my meditation thy testimonies are.

100 In understanding I excel
those that are ancients;
For I endeavoured to keep
all thy commandements.

101 My feet from each ill way I stay'd, that I may keep thy word.

102 I from thy judgments have not swerv'd; for thou hast taught me, Lord.

103 How sweet unto my taste O Lord, are all thy words of truth!
Yea, I do find them sweeter far than honey to my mouth.

104 I through thy precepts that are pure do understanding get; I therefore ev'ry way that's false

with all my heart do hate.

## NUN. The 14th Part.

Represents, (1.) The remarkable usefulness of God's word, ver. 105. (2.) David's solemn dedication of himself to God's service, ver. 106. (3.) His recourse to God by prayer under his afflictions, ver. 107, 108. (4.) His faithful adherence to God's way amidst trouble and persecution, ver. 109, 110. (5.) His solemn and deliberate choice of God's word for his portion and rule, ver. 111, 112.

105 Thy word is to my feet a lamp, and to my path a light.

106 I sworn have, and I will perform, to keep thy judgments right.

107 I am with sore affliction ev'n overwhelm'd, O Lord;

In mercy raise and quicken me, according to thy word.

108 The free-will-off'rings of my mouth accept, I thee beseech:

And unto me thy servant, Lord, thy judgments clearly teach.

109 Though still my soul be in my hand, thy laws I'll not forget.

110 I err'd not from them, though for me the wicked snares did set.

111 I of thy testimonies have
above all things made choice,
To be my heritage for aye;
for they my heart rejoice.

112 I carefully inclined have
my heart still to attend;
That I thy statutes may perform
alway unto the end.

## SAMECH. The 15th Part.

We have here, (1.) David's hatred of sin, and love of God's law, ver. 113. (2.) His profession of dependence upon God, ver. 114. (3.) His debarring of wicked men from his company, ver. 115. (4.) His prayer for support, comfort, and honour in the Lord's way, ver. 116, 117. (5.) His foresight of, and trembling at the ruin of the wicked, ver. 118—120.

113 I hate the thoughts of vanity, but love thy law do I.

114 My shield and hiding-place thou art
I on thy word rely.

115 All ye that evil-doers are
from me depart away;
For the commandments of my God
I purpose to obey.

116 According to thy faithful word
uphold and stablish me,
That I may live, and of my hope
ashamed never be.

117 Hold thou me up, so shall I be in peace and safety still; And to thy statutes have respect continually I will.

118 Thou tread'st down all that love to stray; false their deceit doth prove.

119 Lewd men, like dross, away thou putt'st; therefore thy law I love.

120 For fear of thee my very flesh
doth tremble, all dismay'd;
And of thy righteous judgments, Lord,
my soul is much afraid.

#### AIN. The 16th Part.

Here David, (1.) Appeals to God for his integrity and equity, ver. 121. (2.) Supplicates that God would protect him against enemies; grant him merciful deliverance, and saving instruction; and arise for the maintenance of his own honour, ver. 121—126. (3.) Enforces his requests with these pleas, That he was God's servant; and that he could no longer bear up under trouble, ver. 122—125. (4.) Professeth his superlative regard to God's law, and hatred of all iniquity, ver. 127, 128.

121 To all men I have judgment done,
performing justice right:
Then let me not be left unto
my fierce oppressors' might.

122 For good unto thy servant, Lord, thy servant's surety be:

From the oppression of the proud

do thou deliver me.

123 Mine eyes do fail with looking long for thy salvation,

The word of thy pure righteousness while I do wait upon.

124 In mercy with thy servant deal, thy laws me teach and show.

125 I am thy servant, wisdom give, that I thy laws may know.

126 'Tis time thou work, Lord; for they have made void thy law divine.

127 Therefore thy precepts more I love than gold, yea, gold most fine.

128 Concerning all things thy commands all right I judge therefore; And ev'ry false and wicked way I perfectly abhor.

# PE. The 17th Part.

Here David, (1.) Declares his esteem of, and regard to God's word, ver. 129—131; and his deep concern for men's violation thereof, ver. 136. (2.) Supplicates for mercyl direction, preservation, deliverance, spiritual comfort, and instruction, ver. 132—135.

129 Thy statutes, Lord, are wonderful, my soul them keeps with care.

130 The entrance of thy words gives light,
makes wise who simple are.

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31 My mouth I have wide opened,

and panted earnestly,
While after thy commandements
I long'd exceedingly.

132 Look on me, Lord, and merciful do thou unto me prove,

As thou art wont to do to those thy name who truly love.

133 O let my footsteps in thy word aright still order'd be:
Let no iniquity obtain

dominion over me.

134 From man's oppression save thou me;
so keep thy laws I will.

135 Thy face make on thy servant shine; teach me thy statutes still,

136 Rivers of waters from mine eyes
did run down when I saw
How wicked men run on in sin,
and do not keep thy law.

## TSADDI. The 18th Part.

Contains, (1.) David's celebration of the righteousness of God's nature and works, and of the righteousness, faithfulness, and purity of his word, ver. 137, 138, 140, 142, 144. (2.) His avowed remembrance of, zeal for, and delight in God's word, notwithstanding of much contempt

and trouble, suffered on account of his adherence to it, ver. 139—143. (3.) His fervent prayer for spiritual instruction, ver. 144.

137 O Lord, thou art most righteous; thy judgments are upright.

138 Thy testimonies thou command'st most faithful are and right.

139 My zeal hath even consumed me, because mine enemies Thy holy words forgotten have, and do thy laws despise.

140 Thy word's most pure, therefore on it thy servant's love is set.

141 Small, and despis'd I am, yet I thy precepts not forget.

142 Thy righteousness is righteousness which ever doth endure:
Thy holy law, Lord, also is the very truth most pure.

143 Trouble and anguish have me found, and taken hold on me: Yet in my trouble my delight thy just commandments be.

144 Eternal righteousness is in
thy testimonies all:
Lord, to me understanding give
and ever live I shall.

### KOPH. The 19th Part.

Contains, (1.) David's importunate supplications for gracious audience, necessary salvation, and quickering in-

fluence, ver. 145—147, 149. (2) His hopes in, and meditations on God's word, as perfectly true, and perpetually stable, ver. 147, 148, 151, 152. (3.) In danger from wicked men, he flees to God for relief, ver. 149—151.

145 With my whole heart I cry'd, Lord I will thy word obey. [hear;

146 I cry'd to thee, save me, and I will keep thy laws alway.

147 I of the morning did prevent
the dawning and did cry:
For all mine expectation

did on thy word rely.

148 Mine eyes did timeously prevent the watches of the night, That in thy word with careful mind then meditate I might.

149 Aft r thy loving-kindness hear my voice, that calls on thee: According to thy judgment, Lord, revive and quicken me.

150 Who follow mischief they draw nigh; they from thy law are far:

151 But thou art near, Lord; most firm all thy commandments are. [truth

152 As for thy testimonies all,
of old this have I try'd,
That thou hast surely founded them
for ever to abide.

### RESH. The 20th Part.

Contains, (1.) David's cries to God, That he would consider his affliction, plead his cause, deliver him, and quicken his soul, ver. 153, 154, 156, 159. (2.) His adherence to, love for, and high esteem of God's word, ver. 153, 154, 157, 159, 160. (3.) His description of the character and misery of the wicked, ver. 155, 157, 158.

153 Consider mine affliction, in safety do me set: Deliver me, O Lord, for I thy law do not forget.

154 After thy word revive thou me; save me, and plead my cause.

155 Salvation is from sinners far; for they seek not thy laws.

156 O Lord, both great and manifold thy tender mercies be:
According to thy judgments just, revive and quicken me.

157 My persecutors many are, and foes that do combine; Yet from thy testimonies pure my heart doth not decline.

158 I saw transgressors, and was griev'd; for they keep not thy word.

159 See how I love thy law! as thou art kind, me quicken, Lord.

160 From the beginning all thy word hath been most true and sure:

Thy righteous judgments ev'ry one for evermore endure.

### SCHIN. The 21st Part.

Here, (1.) David complains to God of persecution from princes, ver. 161. (2.) Professeth his holy awe of, and his delight in, his love to, and careful observance of God's testimonies, and his utter detestation of falsehood, ver. 161—168. (3.) Avows his persuasion of the happiness of the godly, and his own hopes of God's salvation, ver. 165, 166.

161 Princes have persecuted me, although no cause they saw: But still of thy most holy word my heart doth stand in awe.

162 I at thy word rejoice, as one of spoil that finds great store.

163 Thy law I love; but lying all I hate and do abhor.

164 Sev'n times a-day it is my care
to give due praise to thee;
Because of all thy judgments, Lord,
which righteous ever be.

165 Great peace have they who love thy law; offence they shall have none.

166 I hop'd for thy salvation, Lord, and thy commands have done.

167 My soul thy testimonies pure
observed carefully;
On them my heart is set, and them
I love exceedingly.

168 Thy testimonies and thy laws
I kept with special care;
For all my works and ways each one before thee open are.

## TAU. The 22d Part.

Here are, (1.) David's prayers for access to God, and for instruction, deliverance, help, and recovery from God, ver. 169, 170, 173, 175, 176. (2.) Hearty professions of his regard to God's word, and to the salvation therein contained, ver. 169—176, (3.) His humble confession of his wandering from God, and desire to be brought back, ver. 176.

169 O let my earnest pray'r and cry
come near before thee Lord:
Give understanding unto me
according to thy word.

170 Let my request before thee come:
after thy word me free.

171 My lips shall utter praise, when thou hast taught thy laws to me.

172 My tongue of thy most blessed word shall speak, and it confess;
Because all thy commandements are perfect righteousness.

173 Let thy strong hand make help to me.
thy precepts are my choice.

174 I long'd for thy salvation, Lord, and in thy law rejoice.

175 O let my soul live, and it shall give praises unto thee;

And let thy judgments gracious be helpful unto me.

176 I, like a lost sheep, went astray; thy servant seek and find: For thy commands I suffer'd not to slip out of my mind.

### PSALM CXX.

Why this Psalm and the fourteen following are called Songs of Degrees, we do not certainly know. It is plain, some of them are suited to secret worship, some to the family, and others to the public assembly. This Psalm, from its affinity to the 52d, is supposed to refer to Doeg the Edomite, I Sam. xxii, We have, (1.) The Psalmist's prayer to God for deliverance from the ruinous influence of malicious and false accusation, ver. 1, 2. (2.) His denunciations of the just, fearful, and lasting judgments of God against his malicious accusers, ver. 3, 4. (3.) His complaints of his quarrelsome and vexatious neighbours, ver. 5-7.-- Never dare my soul to utter falsehood, or even truth in a malicious manner. Never dare to rush upon the fierce and lasting indignation of the Almighty. Never choose to make this world thy country, where sin and troubles so abound. But ye blessed abodes of peace and purity when shall I come to you! When shall I leave my evil neighbours and come to God, to God mine EXCEEDING JOY.

# A Song of Degrees.

1 In my distress to God I cry'd, and he gave ear to me.

2 From lying lips and guileful tongue, O Lord, my soul set free.

3 What shall be giv'n thee? or what shall be done to thee, false tongue?

- 4 Ev'n burning coals of juniper, sharp arrows of the strong.
- 5 Woe's me that I in Mesech am a sojourner so long; That I in tabernacles dwell to Kedar that belong.

6 My soul with him that hateth peace hath long a dweller been.

7 I am for peace, but when I speak, for battle they are keen.

## PSALM CXXI.

Here, (1.) In the firm faith of being heard, David supplicates divine help and protection, ver. 1, 2. (2.) He comforts himself and others with the assurance of God's infallible direction and protection, ver. 3—8—¶ While I sing, let all my confidence be on the Lord. Let my soul truly wait for him, from whom cometh all my necessary and expected blessings. On him be all my burdens, all my wants, all my cares.

# A Song of Degrees.

1 I to the hills will lift mine eyes, from whence doth come mine aid,

2 My safety cometh from the Lord, who heav'n and earth hath made.

3 Thy foot he'll not let slide nor will he slumber that thee keeps.

4 Behold, he that keeps Israel, he slumbers not, nor sleeps.

5 The Lord thee keeps, the Lord thy shade, on thy right hand doth stay:

6 The moon by night thee shall not smite, nor yet the sun by day.

7 The Lord shall keep thy soul; he shall preserve thee from all ill.

8 Henceforth thy going out and in God keep for ever will.

### PSALM CXXII.

This Psalm appears to have been composed for the use of the Hebrews at their three solemn feasts, Lev. xxiii. We have in it, (1.) Expressions of great joy in going up to Jerusalem, ver. 1, 2. (2.) High commendations of the beauty, order, sanctity and honour of Jerusalem, ver. 3.—5. (3.) The duty and happiness of such as are really concerned for the welfare of Jerusalem, the Church of God, ver. 6.—9.—¶ While I sing, let me remember the Gospel church, bewail her disorders, supplicate her welfare; and set my heart on the Jerusalem which is above, and into which nothing can enter that defileth or disturbs. O when shall my feet stand there! When shall I see my Jesus on his great white throne, and sit with him in his glory!

# A Song of Degrees of David.

1 I joy'n when to the house of God, Go up they said to me.

2 Jerusalem, within thy gates our feet shall standing be.

3 Jerus'lem as a city, is compactly built together:

4 Unto that place the tribes go up, the tribes of God go thither.

To Isr'el's testimony, there to God's name thanks to pay.

5 For thrones of judgment, ev'n the thrones of David's house there stay.

6 Pray that Jerusalem may have peace and felicity:

Let them that love thee and thy peace have still prosperity.

7 Therefore I wish that peace may still within thy walls remain,

And ever may thy palaces prosperity retain.

8 Now for thy friends' and brethren's sakes, Peace be in thee, I'll say.

9 And for the house of God our Lord, I'll seek thy good alway.

### PSALM CXXIII.

This Psalm relates to the distressed condition of the Church, and contains, (1.) Earnest longings for, and believing expectations of merciful deliverances from God, ver. 1, 2. (2.) An improvement of great distress, as a plea for speedy and remarkable relief, ver. 3, 4.——¶ While I sing this, let me, in the full assurance of faith, cry to God for the mercies which my own soul, my family, and the church and nation, wherewith I am connected, so much need. Nor let me accept of a denial of my believing requests.

# A Song of Degrees.

1 O THOU that dwellest in the heav'ns, I lift mine eyes to thee.

2 Behold, as servants' eyes do look their masters' hand to see, As handmaid's eyes her mistress' hand; so do our eyes attend Upon the Lord our God, until to us he mercy send.

3 O Lord be gracious to us, unto us gracious be; Because replenish'd with contempt exceedingly are we.

4 Our soul is filled with scorn of those that at their ease abide,
And with the insolent contempt of those that swell in pride.

## PSALM CXXIV.

This Psalm is highly applicable to every remarkable deliverance which God works for his Church, especially to the great redemption wrought for his people by Christ, In it, (1.) David magnifies the danger they were in, ver. 1—5. (2) Ascribes the glory of their deliverance to God, ver. 1, 2, 6, 7. (3.) Improves the deliverance as an encouragement to trust in God, ver. 8——¶ Let me behold Jehovah as a present help in trouble. Let my waiting eyes be towards him, who, notwithstanding all the combined power and policy of hell and earth, is able and ready to rull my feet out of the net.

# A Song of Degrees of David.

1 Had not the Lord been on our side, may Israel now say;

2 Had not the Lord been on our side, when men rose us to slay;

3 They had us swallow'd quick, when as their wrath 'gainst us did flame.

4 Waters had cover'd us, our soul had sunk beneath the stream.

5 Then had the waters, swelling high, over our soul made way.

6 Bless'd be the Lord, who to their teeth

us gave not for a prey.

7 Our soul's escaped, as a bird out of the fowler's snare; The snare asunder broken is, and we escaped are.

8 Our sure and all-sufficient help is in JEHOVAH's name,
His name who did the heav'n create,
and who the earth did frame.

# Another of the same.

Now Israel
may say and that truly,
If that the Lord
had not our cause maintain'd;

2 If that the Lord
had not our right sustain'd,
When cruel men
against us furiously
Rose up in wrath
to make of us their prey:

3 Then certainly
they had devour'd us all,
And swallow'd quick,
for ought that we could deem;

Such was their rage, as we might well esteem.

4 And as fierce floods
before them all things drown,
So had they brought
our soul to death quite down.

5 The raging streams, with their proud swelling waves, Had then our soul o'erwhelm'd in the deep.

6 But bless'd be God,
who doth us safely keep,
And hath not giv'n
us for a living prey
Unto their teeth,
and bloody cruelty.

7 Ev'n as a bird
out of the fowler's snare
Escapes away,
so is our soul set free:
Broke are their nets,
and thus escaped we.

8 Therefore our help is in the Lord's great name, Who heav'n and earth by his great pow'r did frame.

#### PSALM CXXV.

Let me in this Psalm behold, (1.) The happiness of the saints; in the fixedness of their new covenant state; the safety of their condition, the seasonableness of their de-

liverances; and the advantage of effectual fervent prayers in their behalf, ver. 1-4. (2.) The misery of the wicked, particularly of apostates from the ways of God, ver. 5. - I Let me then never be of them that draw back, but of them who believe, to the fixing of their heart, and the saving of their soul.

# A Song of Degrees.

1 THEY in the Lord that firmly trust shall be like Sion hill. Which at no time can be remov'd. but standeth ever still.

2 As round about Jerusalem the mountains stand alway, The Lord his folks doth compass so, from henceforth and for ave.

3 For ill men's rod upon the lot of just men shall not lie; Lest righteous men stretch forth their hands unto iniquity.

4 Do thou to all those that be good thy goodness, Lord, impart; And do thou good to those that are

upright within their heart.

5 But as for such as turn aside after their crooked way, God shall lead forth with wicked men: on Isr'el peace shall stay.

#### PSALM CXXVI.

This Psalm relates to some remarkable deliverance of the Jewish Church, perhaps from Babylon, as typical of those of the Gospel church; and, (1.) Represents great admiration of, and thankfulness for the deliverance, ver. 1.—3. (2.) Contains prayers for, and encouragements of saints exercised with tribulations, ver. 4.—6..—
¶ While I sing, let me admire the Lord's kindness to Britain;—to his Gospel church;—to mankind; to my soul, And, in my remaining distress, personal or relative, let me sow in mourning and supplication, that I may reap joyful deliverances, and everlasting consolations, through grace.

# A Song of Degrees.

1 When Sion's bondage God turn'd back, as men that dream'd were we.

2 Then fill'd with laughter was our mouth, our tongue with melody:

They 'mong the heathen said, The Lord great things for them hath wrought.

3 The Lord hath done great things for us, whence joy to us is brought.

4 As streams of water in the south, our bondage, Lord, recall.

5 Who sow in tears, a reaping time of joy enjoy they shall.

6 That man who, bearing precious seed, in going forth doth mourn, He doubtless, bringing back his sheaves, rejoicing shall return.

#### PSALM CXXVII.

This Psatm relates to David's orders for building the temple, 1 Chronicles xxii. xxviii, or to Solomon's actual building of it, 2 Chron. ii.—vi. It teacheth us constant

dependance on God, in all our concerns; particularly in, (1.) Prospering our undertakings, or rearing our families, ver. 1. (2.) In protecting our residence and country, ver. 1. (3.) In enriching us without excessive care or labour, ver. 2. (4.) In giving us agreeable heirs to possess our substance, ver. 3—5——¶ In all my undertakings, let me set the Lord always before me; and depend on his blessing, as the source of my success. In all my enjoyments, let my care be to enjoy God himself.

# A Song of Degrees for Solomon.

1 Except the Lord do build the house, the builders lose their pain:
Except the Lord the city keep, the watchmen watch in vain.

2 'Tis vain for you to rise betimes, or late from rest to keep,
To feed on sorrows' bread; so gives he his beloved sleep.

3 Lo, children are God's heritage, the womb's fruit his reward.

4 The sons of youth as arrows are, for strong men's hands prepar'd.

5 O happy is the man that hath his quiver fill'd with those; They unashamed in the gate shall speak unto their foes.

#### PSALM CXXVIII.

This Psalm exhibits, (1.) The comprehensive duty of all, particularly married persons, ver. 1. (2.) The

advantage of studying it; viz. success in employments; comfort and honour in relations; joy in the prosperity of God's church, and of their own offspring, ver. 2—6.

—¶ While I sing, let me be ashamed, be pained, on account of my deficiency in holiness, and of the hurt my family, and the Church of God have thereby sustained. Let me behold the great gain of true godliness, having the promises of this life, and of that which is to come.

# A Song of Degrees.

1 Bless'd is each one that fears the Lord, and walketh in his ways;

2 For of thy labour thou shalt eat,

and happy be always.

3 Thy wife shall as a fruitful vine by thy house' sides be found: Thy children like to olive plants about thy table round.

- 4 Behold, the man that fears the Lord, thus blessed shall he be.
- 5 The Lord shall out of Sion give his blessing unto thee:

Thou shalt Jerus'lem's good behold whilst thou on earth dost dwell.

6 Thou shalt thy children's children see, and peace on Israel.

#### PSALM CXXIX.

Whether this Psalm was penned when David brought up the ark of God to Mount Sion, 2 Sam vi; or relates to the Chaldean captivity, is uncertain. In it, the people of God, (1.) Look back on the often repeated tribula-

tions, with thankfulness to God for their deliverances from Egypt, and from their oppressors, under the Judges, Saul, &c. ver. 1—4. (2.) They look forward, with a believing prayer for, and prospect of the destruction of all their implacable enemies, ver. 5—8.—¶ While I sing, let me not only be affected with what the Lord did for the Jewish, but chiefly for what he hath done for the Gospelchurch: And let me, in faith, cry for, and expect the downfall of Antichrist, and of all the other enemies of Christ and his church.

# A Song of Degrees.

1 Orr did they vex me from my youth, may Isr'el now declare;

2 Oft did they vex me from my youth, yet not victorious were.

3 The plowers plow'd upon my back; they long their furrows drew.

4 The righteous Lord did cut the cords of the ungodly crew.

5 Let Sion's haters all be turned back with confusion.

6 As grass on houses' tops be they, which fades ere it be grown:

7 Whereof enough to fill his hand the mower cannot find; Nor can the man his bosom fill, whose work is sheaves to bind.

8 Neither say they who do go by,
God's blessing on you rest:
We in the name of God the Lord
do wish you to be blest.

This Psalm contains, (1.) David's carnest cries to God, out of the depths of corruption, desertion, temptation, or trouble, ver. 1, 2. (2.) His kindly repentance, in the faith of God's merciful forgiveness, ver. 3, 4. (3.) His attentive waiting on God for his favours, ver. 5, 6. (4.) His encouraging expectations from God, ver. 7, 8.—
¶ While I sing, let my soul go, and do likewise. While the unbounded mercy and plenteous redemption of Jehovah remain unexhausted, let my soul cry mightily in every trouble; believe forgiveness under the deepest sense of guilt; and quietly hope and wait for the salvation of God. Let never hopeless despair steel my heart against a God of grace.

# A Song of Degrees.

1 LORD, from the depths to thee I cry'd.

2 My voice, Lord, do thou hear: Unto my supplication's voice

give an attentive ear.

3 Lord, who shall stand, if thou, O Lord, should'st mark iniquity?

4 But yet with thee forgiveness is, that fear'd thou mayest be.

5 I wait for God, my soul doth wait, my hope is in his word.

6 More than they that for morning watch, my soul waits for the Lord;

I say, more than they that do watch the morning light to see.

7 Let Israel hope in the Lord, for with him mercies be.

And plenteous redemption is ever found with him.

8 And from all his iniquities he Israel shall redeem.

#### PSALM CXXXI.

This Psalm contains, (1.) David's candid profession of his contentment with his lot, ver. 1, 2. (2.) His warm encouragement of others to a constant dependance on God, ver. 3.——¶ While I sing it, let me be ashamed of my pride, and of meddling with things above my sphere. Let me desire humility, as my great ornament in every station; and study, like a child of God, weaned from worldly lusts, to set all my hope on God himself.

# A Song of Degrees of David.

 My heart not haughty is, O Lord, mine eyes not lofty be;
 Nor do I deal in matters great, or things too high for me.

2 I surely have myself behaved with quiet sp'rit and mild, As child of mother wean'd: my soul is like a weaned child.

3 Upon the Lord let all the hope of Israel rely,

Ev'n from the time that present is unto eternity.

## PSALM CXXXII.

Whether this Psalm was penned by David, when he brought up the ark of God from Kirjath-jearim, 2 Samvi. cr for Solomon's dedication of the temple, 1 Kings viii

is uncertain. It contains, (1.) A representation of David's pious and earnest care to provide a proper lodging for God's ark, ver. 1-7 (2.) Earnest prayers for God's presence and blessings to attend his ark, ver. 8-10 (3.) David's care to provide an habitation for God; and God's promises to David relating to the prosperity and establishment of his family, especially in the Messiah, are pleaded as arguments to enforce these requests, ver. 1-5, 10-18. While I sing, let my soul, with ardour, go out after God, the living God. Let nothing less than his presence in his ordinances satisfy my desire. Let the welfare of his ministers and people be matter of my deep concern. Let me admire the kindness of God, that I have so many exceeding great and precious promises to plead upon: While I sing them, let me grasp, let me believe them, with my whole heart.

# A Song of Degrees.

1 David, and his afflictions all, Lord, do thou think upon;

2 How unto God he sware, and vow'd to Jacob's mighty One.

 3 I will not come within my house nor rest in bed at all:

4 Nor shall mine eyes take any sleep, nor eyelids slumber shall;

5 Till for the Lord a place I find, where he may make abode;

A place of habitation for Jacob's mighty God.

Lo, at the place of Ephratah
 of it we understood;
 And we did find it in the fields,
 and city of the wood.

7 We'll go into his tabernacles, and at his footstool bow.

8 Arise, O Lord, into thy rest th' ark of thy strength, and thou.

9 O let thy priests be clothed, Lord, with truth and righteousness;
And let all those that are thy saints shout loud for joyfulness.

10 For thine own servant David's sake,
do not deny thy grace;
Nor of thine own anointed ne
turn thou away the face.

11 The Lord in truth to David sware, he will not turn from it, I of thy body's fruit will make

upon thy throne to sit.

12 My cov'nant if thy sons will keep,
and laws to them made known,
Their children then shall also sit

for ever on thy throne.

13 For God of Sion hath made choice; there he desires to dwell.

14 This is my rest, here still I'll stay; for I do like it well.

15 Her food I'll greatly bless: her poor with bread will satisfy.

16 Her priests I'll clothe with health; her shall shout forth joyfully. [saints

17 And there will I make David's horn to bud forth pleasantly:

For him that mine anointed is a lamp ordain'd have I.

18 As with a garment I will clothe with shame his enemies all:

But yet the crown that he doth wear upon him flourish shall.

#### PSALM CXXXIII.

This Psalm was perhaps penned when the Hebrew tribes concurred to fix David on his throne, or to restore him to it, 2 Sam. v. or xix. Here is (1.) A declaration of the excellency and pleasantness of brotherly affection, ver. 1: (2.) The illustration of this in two similitudes, ver. 2, 3. (3) The great advantage of it, ver. 3.—

¶ While I sing, let Jesus' love shed abroad in my heart, make me exemplify my notes. How happy the churches and families, where this prevails! And how blessed above all, the church above, where LOVE, LOVE, for ever reigns.

## A Song of Degrees of David.

1 Behold how good a thing it is, and how becoming well, Together such as brethren are in unity to dwell!

2 Like precious ointment on the head, that down the beard did flow, Ev'n Aaron's beard, and to the skirts\* did of his garments go.

<sup>\*</sup> To imagine, that the sacred oil run down upon, and stained the high priest's robe to the skirt, or lower parts thereof, to me seems very inconsistent with the remarkable

3 As Hermon's dew, the dew that doth on Sion' hills descend:

For there the blessing God commands, life that shall never end.

#### PSALM CXXXIV.

This Psalm was perhaps penned, when David appointed the orders of the Priests and Levites, I Chron. xxiii.—xxvi. In it, we have (1.) The sacred watchers of the temple stirred up, to employ their time in praising God, ver. 1, 2. (2.) A fervent prayer for the blessing of God on them, or on others, ver. 3.——¶ While I am in Christ's church, let me provoke myself and others, to love, and to good works.

## A Song of Degrees.

1 Behold, bless ye the Lord, all ye that his attendants are,
Ev'n you that in God's temple be, and praise him nightly there.

2 Your hands within God's holy place lift up, and praise his name.

3 From Sion' hill the Lord thee bless, that heav'n and earth did frame.

cleanliness prescribed by the ceremonial institutes; very inconsistent with the prescribed finery and beauty of this sacred apparel. The Hebrew word Phi ought therefore to have been translated not skirt but Collar or Neckband, compare Job xxx. 18. Exod. xxviii. 22.—Perhaps too, the Hills of Zion in ver. 3. denote not these about Jerusalem, Psal. cxxv. 2. which stood an hundred miles distant from Hermon, but that which is called Siox, Deut. iv. 48, on which, without controversity, the famed, the plentiful, the invigorating, the fructifying dews of Hermon descended.

This Psalm contains, (1.) Earnest exhortations to all concerned to praise the Lord, ver. 1—3. 19—21. (2.) Rich matter for praise;—God considered as the God of Israel, ver. 4. As the God of gods, ver. 5. As the God of the whole world, ver. 6, 7. As a God terrible to the enemies of Israel, ver. 8—11. but kind to Israel, ver. 12—14. And as the only true and living God, before whom all others are but vanity and falsehood, ver. 15—18.

—¶ Come near my soul, and sing what Jehovah is, and hath done for his church, and what he is to, and hath done for me.

1 Praise ye the Lord, the Lord's name praise; his servants, praise ye God.

2 Who stand in God's house, in the courts

3 Praise ye the Lord, for he is good; unto him praises sing: Sing praises to his name, because it is a pleasant thing.

4 For Jacob to himself the Lord did choose of his good pleasure, And he hath chosen Israel for his peculiar treasure.

5 Because I know assuredly the Lord is very great, And that our Lord above all gods in glory hath his seat.

6 What things soever pleas'd the Lord that in the heaven did he, And in the earth, the seas, and all the places deep that be.

7 He from the ends of earth doth make the vapours to ascend;

With rain he lightnings makes, and wind doth from his treasures send.

8 Egypt's first-born, from man to beast

9 who smote. Strange tokens he On Phar'oh and his servants sent.

Egypt, in midst of thee.

10 He smote great nations, slew great kings:

11 Sihon of Heshbon king,

And Og of Bashan, and to nought did Canaan's kingdoms bring:

12 And for a wealthy heritage
their pleasant land he gave,
An heritage which Israel.
his chosen folk should have.

13 Thy name, O Lord, shall still endure, and thy memorial

With honour shall continu'd be to generations all.

14 For why? the righteous God will judge his people righteously;

Concerning those that do him serve, himself repent will he.

15 The idols of the nations of silver are and gold,

And by the hands of men is made their fashion and mould.

16 Mouths have they, but they do not speak; eyes, but they do not see;

17 Ears have they, but hear not; and in their mouths no breathing be.

18 Their makers are like them; so are all that on them rely.

19 O Isr'el's house, bless God; bless God, O Aaron's family.

20 O bless the Lord, of Levi's house ye who his servants are; And bless the holy name of God, all ye the Lord that fear.

21 And blessed be the Lord our God from Sion's holy hill, Who dwelleth at Jerusalem. The Lord O praise ye still,

#### PSALM CXXXVI.

This Psalm is a continued exhortation to praise the Lord, for the perpetual displays of his mercy. The hearty singing of it has been honoured with the most signal appearances of God's kindness, 2 Chron. v. 13, and xx. 21, 22-We are in it directed to praise God, (1.) As great and good in himself, ver. 1-3. (2.) As the Creator of all things, ver. 5-9. (3.) As the God and Saviour of Israel, who brought them out of Egypt, through the Red Sea and wilderness; and cast out the nations, and gave them the possession of Canaan, ver. 10-22. (4.) As our gracious and condescending Redeemer, ver. 23, 24. (5.) As the great and sovereign Benefactor of all creatures, ver. 25, 26 .- TWhile I sing it, let my heart be melted, and all inflamed with the loving-kindness and mercy of God in Christ. Let me behold, believe, and admire the unbounded extent and everlasting duration thereof.

1 Give thanks to God, for good is he: for mercy hath he ever.

2 Thanks to the God of gods give ye: for his grace faileth never.

3 Thanks give the Lord of lords unto: for mercy hath he ever.

4 Who only wonders great can do:

for his grace faileth never.

5 Who by his wisdom made heav'ns high:
for mercy hath he ever.

6 Who stretch'd the earth above the sea: for his grace faileth never.

7 To him that made the great lights shine: for mercy hath he ever.

8 The sun to rule till day decline: for his grace faileth never.

9 The moon and stars to rule by night:
for mercy hath he ever.

10 Who Egypt's first-born kill'd outright:

11 And Isr'el brought from Egypt land:
for mercy bath he ever.

12 With stretch'd-out arm, and with strong for his grace faileth never. [hand:

13 By whom the Red sea parted was: for mercy hath he ever.

14 And through its midst made Isr'el pass: for his grace faileth never.

15 But Phar'oh and his host did drown:
for mercy hath he ever.

16 Who through the desert led his own: for his grace faileth never.

17 To him great kings who overthrew: for he hath mercy ever.

18 Yea, famous kings in battle slew: for his grace faileth never.

19 Even Sihon king of Amorites: for he hath mercy ever.

20 And Og the king of Bashanites: for his grace faileth never.

21 Their land in heritage to have: for mercy hath he ever.

22 His servant Isr'el right he gave: for his grace faileth never.

23 In our low state who on us thought: for he hath mercy ever.

24 And from our foes our freedom wrought:
for his grace faileth never.

25 Who doth all flesh with food relieve: for he hath mercy ever.

26 Thanks to the God of heaven give: for his grace faileth never.

## Another of the same.

1 Praise God, for he is kind: His mercy lasts for aye. 2 Give thanks with heart and mind
To God of gods alway:
For certainly
His mercies dure
Most firm and sure
Eternally.

3 The Lord of lords praise ye, Whose mercies still endure.

4 Great wonders only he
Doth work by his great power:
For certainly, &c.

- 5 Which God omnipotent, By might and wisdom high, The heav'n and firmament Did frame as we may see: For certainly, &c.
- 6 To him who did outstretch
  This earth so great and wide,
  Above the waters' reach
  Making it to abide:
  For certainly, &c.
- 7 Great lights he made to be; For his grace lasteth aye:
- 8 Such as the sun we see,
  To rule the lightsome day:
  For certainly, &c.
- 9 Also the moon so clear, Which shineth in our sight;

The stars that do appear,
To guide the darksome night:
For certainly, &c.

10 To him that Egypt smote,
Who did his message scorn;
And in his anger hot
Did kill all their first-born:
For certainly, &c.

Il Thence Isr'el out he brought; For his grace lasteth ever.

12 With a strong hand he wrought,
And stretch'd-out arm deliver:
For certainly, &c.

13 The sea he cut in two; For his grace lasteth still.

14 And through its midst to go
Made his own Israel:
For certainly, &c.

15 But overwhelm'd and lost
Was proud king Pharaoh,
With all his mighty host,
And chariots there also:
For certainly, &c.

16 To him who pow'rfully
His chosen people led,
Ev'n through the desert dry,
And in that place them fed:
For certainly, &c.

17 To him great kings who smote; For his grace hath no bound.

18 Who slew, and spared not Kings famous and renowned:
For certainly, &c.

19 Sihon the Am'rites' king: For his grace lasteth ever:

20 Og also, who did reign The land of Bashan over: For certainly, &c.

21 Their land by lot he gave; For his grace faileth never,

22 That Isr'el might it have
In heritage for ever:
For certainly, &c.

23 Who hath remembered Us in our low estate;

24 And us delivered
From foes which did us hate:
For certainly, &c. .

25 Who to all flesh gives food; For his grace faileth never.

26 Give thanks to God most good,
The God of heav'n for ever:
For certainly, &c.

## PSALM CXXXVII.

This Psalm was probably composed in Chaldea, during the captivity, and contains, (1.) Grievous bewailing of their distress, contempt, and reproach, ver. 1—4. (2.) Their tender and affectionate remembrance of, and concern for Jerusalem—the church and ordinances of God, ver. 5, 6. (3.) Denunciations of destruction to the Edomites,

who had promoted, and the Chaldeans, who had effected their distress and captivity, ver. 7—9.——¶ While I sing, let me bless the Lord for what mercy is in my lot, above that of many others. Let the welfare of God's church lie near my heart. Let me earnestly desire, and firmly expect the ruin of all her and my spiritual foes.

1 By Babel's streams we sat and wept, when Sion we thought on.

2 In midst thereof we hang'd our harps the willow-trees upon.

3 For there a song required they,
who did us captive bring:
Our spoilers call'd for mirth, and said,
A song of Sion sing.

4 O how the Lord's song shall we sing within a foreign land?

5 If thee, Jerus'lem, I forget, skill part from my right hand.

6 My tongue to my mouth's roof let cleave, if I do thee forget,

Lerusalem and thee above

Jerusalem, and thee above my chief joy do not set.

7 Remember Edom's children, Lord, who in Jerus'lem's day, Ev'n unto its foundation.

Raze, raze it quite, did say.

8 O daughter thou of Babylon, near to destruction;

Bless'd shall he be that thee rewards, as thou to us hast done.

9 Yea, happy surely shall he be thy tender little ones Who shall lay hold upon, and them shall dash against the stones.

## PSALM CXXXVIII.

This Psalm was perhaps composed by David when he was newly advanced to his throne, 2 Sam. v., 1 Chron. xii. In it, (1.) He looks back with thankfulness upon the experience he had had of God's goodness to him, ver. 1—3. (2.) He looks forward with comfort, in hopes, (1.) That others would go on to praise God like him, ver. 4, 5, (2.) That God would continue to do good to him, ver. 6, 7, 8.— ¶ While I sing these lofty lines, let the sense of the unnumbered mercies I have received from God, and the hope of his everlasting loving-kindness, tune and animate my heart.

## A Psalm of David.

1 THEE will I praise with all my heart,
I will sing praise to thee

2 Before the gods: And worship will toward thy sanctuary.

I'll praise thy name, ev'n for thy truth, and kindness of thy love;

For thou thy word hast magnify'd all thy great name above.

3 Thou didst me answer in the day when I to thee did cry; And thou my fainting soul with strength didst strengthen inwardly.

4 All kings upon the earth that are shall give thee praise, O Lord;

When as they from thy mouth shall hear thy true and faithful word.

5 Yea, in the righteous ways of God with gladness they shall sing; For great's the glory of the Lord, who doth for ever reign.

6 Though God be high, yet he respects all those that lowly be;
Whereas the proud and lofty ones afar off knoweth he.

7 Though I in midst of trouble walk,
I life from thee shall have:
'Gainst my foes' wrath thou'lt stretch thine
thy right hand shall me save. [hand;

8 Surely that which concerneth me the Lord will perfect make: Lord, still thy mercy lasts; do not thine own hands' works forsake.

#### PSALM CXXXIX.

This Psalm was probably penned by David while he was loaded with some vile reproaches, and contains, (1.) His celebration of, (1.) The omniscient knowledge, ver. 1-6. (2.) The omnipresence, ver. 7-12. And (3.) Creating kindness of God, ver. 13-16. (2.) His improvement of these in, (1) Devout meditation on God, ver. 17, 18. (2. In detestation of wicked men, ver. 19, 22. (3.) In solemn profession of his uprightness before God, ver. 23, 24.—¶Let me sing, let me pray, let me live, always under the deepest impressions of God's eye upon me; his presence with me; his formation of me; his new-covenant marriage to me; and his everlasting redemption of my soul. Let my nights and my days be

filled up with precious, with fixed, with pleasant thoughts, concerning these, and holy improvements of them. Let me never make the Lord's enemies my intimates. Let a thorough purgation from sin, and progress in holiness, be the delight, the earnest desire of my soul.

# To the chief Musician, a Psalm of David.

1 O Lord, thou hast me searched and known,

2 Thou know'st my sitting down, And rising up; yea, all my thoughts afar to thee are known.

3 My footsteps, and my lying down, thou compassest always; Thou also most entirely art acquaint with all my ways.

4 For in my tongue, before I speak, not any word can be,
But altogether, lo, O Lord,
it is well known to thee.

5 Behind, before, thou hast beset, and laid on me thine hand.

6 Such knowledge is too strange for me, too high to understand.

7 From thy Sp'rit whither shall I go? or from thy presence fly?

8 Ascend I heav'n, lo, thou art there; there, if in hell I lie.

9 Take I the morning wings, and dwell in utmost parts of sea,

10 Ev'n there, Lord, shall thy hand me lead, thy right hand hold shall me. 11 If I do say that darkness shall me cover from thy sight. Then surely shall the very night

about me be as light.

12 Yea, darkness hideth not from thee, but night doth shine as day: To thee the darkness and the light are both alike alway.

13 For thou possessed hast my reins, and thou hast cover'd me, When I within my mother's womb inclosed was by thee.

14 Thee will I praise; for fearfully and strangely made I am;

Thy works are marv'llous, and right well my soul doth know the same.

15 My substance was not hid from thee, when as in secret I

Was made; and in earth's lowest parts was wrought most curiously.

16 Thine eyes my substance did behold, yet being unperfect;

And in the volume of thy book my members all were writ;

Which after in continuance were fashion'd ev'ry one,

When as they yet all shapeless were, and of them there was none.

17 How precious also are thy thoughts, O gracious God, to me And in their sum how passing great and numberless they be!

18 If I should count them, than the sand they more in number be:

What time soever I awake, I ever am with thee.

19 Thou, Lord, wilt sure the wicked slay:
\_hence from me bloody men.

20 Thy foes against thee loudly speak, and take thy name in vain.

21 Do not I hate all those, O Lord, that hatred bear to thee?

With those that up against thee rise can I but grieved be?

22 With perfect hatred them I hate, my foes I them do hold.

23 Search me, () God, and know my heart, try me, my thoughts unfold:

24 And see if any wicked way,
there be at all in me:
And in thine everlasting way
to me a leader be.

#### PSALM CXL.

This Psalm was probably penned by David when persecuted by Saul; and perhaps partly relates to Doeg the Edomite, as Psal. lii. and cxx. In it, (1.) David complains of the malice of his enemies, and supplicates God's preservation from them, ver. 1.—5. (2.) He encourageth himself in God as his God, ver. 6, 7. (3.) He prays for, and prophesies the destruction of all his enemies, ver. 3,—11. (4.) He assures himself and other saints that all

their troubles shall end happily, ver. 12, 13 .-- TLet my troubles stir me up to fervent prayers, and to an earnest believing on God as my God. Thus shall I suck honey out of flinty rocks; and the malice as well as the ruin of mine enemies, shall work for me an exceeding and eternal weight of glory.

· To the chief Musician, a Psalm of David,

1 LORD, from the ill and froward man, give me deliverance,

And do thou safe preserve me from the man of violence:

2 Who in their heart mischievous things are meditating ever; And they for war assembled are continually together.

3 Much like unto a serpent's tongue their tongues they sharp do make; And underneath their lips there lies the poison of a snake.

4 Lord, keep me from the wicked's hands. from vi'lent men me save;

Who utterly to overthrow my goings purpos'd have.

5 The proud for me a snare have hid, and cords; yea, they a net Have by the way-side for me spread; they gins for me have set.

6 I said unto the Lord, Thou art my God: unto the cry Of all my supplications, Lord, do thine ear apply.

7 O God the Lord, who art the strength of my salvation:

A cov'ring in the day of war my head thou hast put on.

8 Unto the wicked man, O Lord,
his wishes do not grant;
Nor further thou his ill device,
lest they themselves should vaunt.

9 As for the head and chief of those about that compass me,
 Ev'n by the mischief of their lips let thou them cover'd be.

10 Let burning coals upon them fall, them throw in fiery flame, And indeep pits, that they no more may rise out of the same.

11 Let not an evil speaker be on earth established: Mischief shall hunt the vi'lent man, till he be ruined.

12 I know God will the afflicted's cause maintain, and poor men's right.

13 Surely the just shall praise thy name; th' upright dwell in thy sight.

## PSALM CXLI.

This Psalm was likewise composed under distress and persecution In it, David prays, (1.) For God's kind acceptance of his prayers, ver. 1, 2. (2.) For his powerful assistance in keeping his tongue, his heart, and hand

in the way of duty, ver. 3, 4. (3.) That others might be helpful to him with their seasonable reproofs; and he to them with his prayers, ver. 5, 6. (4.) That when he and his friends were brought to the last extremity God would graciously appear for their relief, ver. 7—10. — ¶ Whenever I am afflicted, let me pray. Let me highly prize and kindly receive Christian reproof, and earnestly improve it to my spiritual advantage. Nor let me ever despair, on account of the great distress of my soul, or of the Church. Is any thing too hard for the Lord?

# A Psalm of David.

1 O Lord, I unto thee do cry, do thou make haste to me, And give an ear unto my voice, when I cry unto thee.

2 As incense let my prayer be directed in thine eyes; And the uplifting of my hands as th' ev'ning sacrifice.

3 Set, Lord, a watch before my mouth, keep of my lips the door.

4 My heart incline thou not unto the ills I should abhor.

To practise wicked works with men that work iniquity;

And with their delicates my taste let me not satisfy.

5 Let him that righteous is me smite, it shall a kindness be; Let him reprove, I shall it count a precious oil to me: Such smiting shall not break my head; for yet the time shall fall,
When I in their calamities
to God pray for them shall.

6 When as their judges down shall be in stony places cast,
Then shall they hear my words; for they shall sweet be to their taste.

7 About the grave's devouring mouth our bones are scatter'd round,
As wood which men do cut and cleave lies scatter'd on the ground.

8 But unto thee, O God the Lord, mine eyes uplifted be: My soul do not leave destitute; my trust is set on thee.

9 Lord, keep me safely from the snares which they for me prepare; And from the subtile gins of them that wicked workers are.

10 Let workers of iniquity into their own nets fall, Whilst I do, by thine help, escape the danger of them all.

### PSALM CXLII.

This Psalm was framed by David, when obliged by Saul's persecution to hide himself in a cave, 1 Sam. xxii. 1. or xxiv. 3. and contains, (1.) Bitter complaints of the subtlety, strength, and malice of his enemies, and of the

coldness and indifference of his friends, ver. 1—4, 6. (2.) The comfort he took in God's knowing his way, and in recognizing his claim to God as his Portion, ver. 3, 4, 5. (3.) His pleasant expectations that his God would deliver him, and that his fellow-saints would join with him in thanksgiving for his deliverance, ver. 6, 7.—¶ If all men forsake me, if all men harass me, let me cast my burden on the Lord, that he my sustain me. Let me renew my believing claims to him as my Lord, my God, my Refuge, and my Portion. Let me rest firmly on his characters, and promises, for his sympathy, help and deliverance.

# Maschil of David, a Prayer when he was in the Cave.

1 I with my voice cry'd to the Lord, with it made my request:

2 Pour'd out to him my plaint, to him

my trouble I exprest.

When in me was o'erwhelmed my spirit, then well thou knew'st my way; Where I did walk a snare for me they privily did lay.

4 I look'd on my right hand, and view'd, but none to know me were; All refuge failed me, no man

did for my soul take care.

5 I cry'd to thee; I said, Thou art my refuge, Lord, alone; And in the land of those that live thou art my portion.

6 Because I am brought very low, attend unto my cry:

Me from my persecutors save, who stronger are than I.

7 From prison bring my soul, that I
thy name may glorify:
The just shall compass me, when thou
with me deal'st bounteously.

## PSALM CXLIII.

This Psalm was probably penned by David, during the unnatural rebellion of his son Absalom, as Psal. iii. xlii. xliii. It contains, (1.) Sad complaints of trouble, and of the sinking of his spirit under it, ver. 3, 4, 5, 7. (2.) Fervent supplications that God would hear his prayer, ver. 1, 7. Forgive his sins, ver. 2 Manifest his favours, ver. 6, 7, 8. Direct him in the way of duty, ver. 8—10. Quicken him in it, ver. 11. Deliver him out of trouble, ver. 9, 11. And in fine, punish his persecutors, ver. 12.——¶ What time my heart is overwhelmed, let God lead me to the Rock that is higher than I. Let me study to have my sin removed, first, in order that my troubles may remove in due order, and with a rich blessing.

## A Psalm of David.

1 Lord, hear my pray'r attend my suits; and in thy faithfulness Give thou an answer unto me, and in thy righteousness.

2 Thy servant also bring thou not in judgment to be try'd: Because no living man can be in thy sight justify'd.

3 For th' enemy hath pursu'd my soul, my life to ground down tread:

In darkness he hath made me dwell, as who have long been dead.

4 My sp'rit is therefore overwhelm'd in me perplexedly;

Within me is my very heart amazed wondrously.

5 I call to mind the days of old, to meditate I use

On all thy works; upon the deeds I of thy hands do muse.

6 My hands to thee I stretch; my soul thirsts, as drý land, for thee.

7 Haste, Lord, to hear, my spirit fails: hide not thy face from me;

Lest like to them I do become that go down to the dust.

8 At morn let me thy kindness hear; for in thee do I trust.

Teach me the way that I should walk: I lift my soul to thee.

9 Lord, free me from my foes; I flee to thee to cover me.

10 Because thou art my God, to do
thy will do me instruct:

Thy Sp'rit is good, me to the land of uprightness conduct.

11 Revive and quicken me, O Lord, ev'n for thine own name's sake; And do thou, for thy righteousness, my soul from trouble take.

12 And of thy mercy slay my foes;
let all destroyed be
That do afflict my soul; for I
a servant am to thee.

## Another of the same.

- 1 Oh, hear my prayer Lord, And unto my desire To bow thine ear accord, I humbly thee require; And, in thy faithfulness, Unto me answer make, And, in thy righteousness, Upon me pity take.
- 2 In judgment enter not
  With me thy servant poor;
  For why, this well I wot,
  No sinner can endure
  The sight of thee, O God:
  If thou his deeds shalt try,
  He dare make none abode
  Himself to justify.
- 3 Behold, the cruel foe
  Me persecutes with spite,
  My soul to overthrow:
  Yea, he my life down quite

Unto the ground hath smote, And made me dwell full low In darkness, as forgot, Or men dead long ago.

- 4 Therefore my sp'rit much vex'd, O'erwhelm'd is me within; My heart right sore perplex'd And desolate hath been.
- 5 Yet I do call to mind
  What ancient days record,
  Thy works of ev'ry kind
  I think upon, O Lord.
- 6 Lo, I do stretch my hands
  To thee, my help alone;
  For thou well understands
  All my complaint and moan:
  My thirsting soul desires,
  And longeth after thee,
  As thirsty ground requires
  With rain refresh'd to be.
- 7 Lord, let my pray'r prevail,
  To answer it make speed:
  For, lo, my sp'rit doth fail:
  Hide not thy face in need;
  Lest I be like to those
  That do in darkness sit,
  Or him that downward goes
  Into the dreadful pit.
- 8 Because I trust in thee, O Lord, cause me to hear

Thy loving-kindness free, When morning doth appear: Cause me to know the way Wherein my path should be; For why, my soul on high I do lift up to thee.

9 From my fierce enemy
In safety do me guide,
Because I flee to thee,
Lord, that thoù may'st me hide.

10 My God alone art thou,
Teach me thy righteousness:
Thy Sp'rit's good, lead me to
The land of uprightness.

11 O Lord for thy name's sake, Be pleas'd to quicken me; And, for thy truth, forth take My soul from misery.

12 And of thy grace destroy
My foes, and put to shame
All who my soul annoy;
For I thy servant am.

### PSALM CXLIV.

This Psalm was probably composed by David, upon the occasion of his advancement to the throne, 1 Chron. xii. 2 Sam. v. as Psal. cxxxviii, 1xxv, &c. In it, we have, (1.) Thankful acknowledgment of God's relation to him, and condescending kindness towards him, ver. 1—4. (2.) pplication for divine deliverance from his enemies, who

still threatened him, ver. 5—8. And for prosperity to his kingdom, ver. 11—14. (3.) Triumphant joy in God as his and their Deliverer, and Portion, ver. 9, 10, 15.——¶ While I sing, let me admire the relation, the kindness of God to me, who am so mean,—so frail,—so sinful! Let me rejoice in him, as my ALL in ALL and commit my way to him, that he may bring it to pass. And let every external benefit lead up my heart to God himself.

# A Psalm of David.

1 O BLESSED ever be the Lord, who is my strength and might, Who doth instruct my hands to war, my fingers teach to fight.

2 My goodness, fortress, my high tow'r, deliverer and shield.

In whom I trust; who under me my people makes to yield.

3 Lord, what is man, that thou of him dost so much knowledge take?
Or son of man, that thou of him so great account dost make?

4 Man is like vanity; his days, as shadows, pass away.

5 Lord, bow thy heav'ns, come down, touch the hills, and smoke shall they. [thou

6 Cast forth thy lightning, scatter them; thine arrows shoot, them rout.

7 Thine hand send from above, me save; from great depths draw me out;

And from the hand of children strange,

Whose mouth speaks vanity:

And their right hand is a right hand
that works deceitfully.

9 A new song I to thee will sing,
Lord, on a psaltery;
I on a ten-string'd instrument
will praises sing to thee.

10 Ev'n he it is that unto kings salvation doth send; Who his own servant David doth from hurtful sword defend.

11 O free me from strange children's hand,
whose mouth speaks vanity;
And their right hand a right hand is

that works deceitfully.

12 That, as the plants, our sons may be in youth grown up that are; Our daughters like to corner-stones, carv'd like a palace fair.

13 That to afford all kind of store
our garners may be fill'd;
That our sheep thousands, in our streets
ten thousands they may yield.

14 That strong our oxen be for work, that no in-breaking be, Nor going out; and that our streets may from complaints be free.

15 Those people blessed are who be in such a case as this;

# Yea, blessed all those people are, whose God JEHOVAH is.

#### PSALM CXLV.

This Psalm, like the xxv, xxxiv, cxi, cxii, and cxix, is composed in an alphabetical form. It, and the five which follow, consists of pure praises to God, without so much as one complaint or petition. Here, (1.) David engageth himself, and encourageth others to praise God, ver. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 21. (2.) He represents the grounds of praise, viz. The greatness and glory, sovereign power and eternity of God. (3.) The greatness and glory of his works, ver. 3-7, 11, 12, 13. His unbounded goodness, mercy, and compassion, ver. 7, 8, 9. Manifested in pitying the afflicted, providing what is necessary for all creatures, and in his readiness to hear and answer his people's prayers, and preserve them from evil, and destroy their enemies, ver. 14-20.- In such high praises of God, may all my prayers issue at last. And the nearer I approach to mine end, let my heart and lips be the more filled with his praise and honour all the day. While I live on earth, let me publish the heart-engaging wonders of the nature and work of my God.

## David's Psalm of praise.

1 I'll thee extol, my God, O King;
I'll bless thy name always.

2 Thee will I bless each day, and will thy name for ever praise.

3 Great is the Lord, much to be prais'd; his greatness search exceeds.

4 Race unto race shall praise thy works, and shew thy mighty deeds.

5 I of thy glorious majesty
 the honour will record;
 I'll speak of all thy mighty works,
 which wondrous are, O Lord.

6 Men of thine acts the might shall show, thine acts that dreadful are; And I, thy glory to advance, thy greatness will declare.

7 The mem'ry of thy goodness great they largely shall express; With songs of praise they shall extol thy perfect righteousness.

8 The Lord is very gracious, in him compassions flow; In mercy he is very great, and is to anger slow.

9 The Lord JEHOVAH unto all his goodness doth declare: And over all his other works his tender mercies are.

10 Thee all thy works shall praise, O Lord, and thee thy saints shall bless;

11 They shall thy kingdom's glory show, thy pow'r by speech express:

12 To make the sons of men to knowhis acts done mightily, And of his kingdom th' excellent and glorious majesty.

13 Thy kingdom shall for ever stand, thy reign through ages all.

- 14 God raiseth all that are bow'd down, upholdeth all that fall.
- 15 The eyes of all things wait on thee, the giver of all good; And thou, in time convenient,

bestow'st on them their food;

16 Thine hand thou open'st lib'rally,

and of thy bounty gives
Enough to satisfy the need
of ev'ry thing that lives.

17 The Lord is just in all his ways, holy in his works all.

18 God's near to all that call on him, in truth that on him call.

19 He will accomplish the desire of those that do him fear: He also will deliver them, and he their cry will hear.

20 The Lord preserves all who him love, that nought can them annoy: But he all those that wicked are will utterly destroy.

21 My mouth the praises of the Lord to publish cease shall never: Let all flesh bless his holy name for ever and for eyer.

## Another of the same.

1 O LORD, thou art my God and King; Thee will I magnify and praise; I will thee bless, and gladly sing Unto thy holy name always.

2 Each day I rise I will thee bless, And praise thy name time without end.

3 Much to be prais'd, and great God is; His greatness none can comprehend.

4 Race shall thy works praise unto race, The mighty acts show done by thee.

5 I will speak of the glorious grace,
And honour of thy majesty;
Thy wondrous works I will record.
By men the might shall be extoll'd
Of all thy dreadful acts, O Lord:
And I thy greatness will unfold.

7 They utter shall abundantly
The mem'ry of thy goodness great;
And shall sing praises cheerfully,
Whilst they thy righteousness relate.

8 The Lord our God is gracious, Compassionate is he also; In mercy he is plenteous, But unto wrath and anger slow.

9 Good unto all men is the Lord: O'er all his works his mercy is.

10 Thy works all praise to thee afford: Thy saints, O Lord, thy name shall bless.

11 The glory of thy kingdom show Shall they, and of thy power tell:

12 That so men's sons his deeds may know, His kingdom's grace that doth excel.

- 13 Thy kingdom hath none end at all, It doth through ages all remain,
- 14 The Lord upholdeth all that fall, The cast-down raiseth up again.
- 15 The eyes of all things, Lord, attend, And on thee wait that here do live, And thou, in season due, dost send Sufficient food them to relieve.
- 16 Yea, thou thine hand dost open wide, And ev'ry thing dost satisfy That lives, and doth on earth abide, Of thy great liberality.
- 17 The Lord is just in his ways all, And holy in his works each one.
- 18 He's near to all that on him call, Who call in truth on him alone.
- 19 God will the just desire fulfil Of such as do him fear and dread: Their cry regard, and hear he will, And save them in the time of need.
- 20 The Lord preserves all, more and less, That bear to him a loving heart: But workers all of wickedness Destroy will he, and clean subvert.
- 21 Therefore my mouth and lips I'll frame
  To speak the praises of the Lord:
  To magnify his holy name
  For ever let all flesh accord.

This Psalm contains, (1.) Pleasant engagements and encouragements to the hearty and constant praises of God, ver. 1, 2, 10. (2.) Earnest dissuasives from trusting man, who is so weak and short-lived, ver. 3, 4. (3.) Powerful persuasives to trust in God, whose power and goodness appear so remarkably in creation, providence, and redemption, ver. 5—10.——¶-While I sing, be stirred up, my soul, and all that is within me, to bless his holy name,—to depend on him alone, who is my Maker, my faithful Friend, my kind and righteous Protector, my bountiful Provider, my Almighty Deliverer, my gracious Enlightener, my seasonable Restorer, my perpetual Preserver, and the just Punisher of my foes;—my King;—my God; and my All.

1 Praise God. The Lord praise, O my soul.

2 I'll praise God while I live; While I have being to my God in songs I'll praises give.

3 Trust not in princes, nor man's son, in whom there is no stay:

4 His breath departs, to's earth he turns; that day his thoughts decay.

5 O happy is that man and blest, whom Jacob's God doth aid; Whose hope upon the Lord doth rest,

and on his God is stay'd:

6 Who made the earth and heavens high, who made the swelling deep, And all that is within the same; who truth doth ever keep:

7 Who righteous judgment executes for those oppress'd that be,

Who to the hungry giveth food; God sets the pris'ners free.

8 The Lord doth give the blind their sight,
the bowed down doth raise:
The Lord doth dearly love all those

that walk in upright ways.

9 The stranger's shield, the widow's stay, the orphan's help is he: But yet by him the wicked's way turned upside down shall be.

10 The Lord shall reign for evermore:
thy God, O Sion, he
Reigns to all generations.
Praise to the Lord give ye.

#### PSALM CXLVII.

This Psalm was probably penned by David while he repaired and fortified Jerusalem, 2 Sam. v. and contains (1.) Solemn calls to praise God, ver. 1, 7, 12, 20. (2.) Weighty reasons for praising God, viz. (1.) That as the God of nature he is infinitely intelligent and great, and the sovereign Manager of all creatures, ver. 4, 5, 8, 9, 15-18. (2.) As the God of grace, he tenderly comforts, and affectionately delights in his people, ver. 3, 6, 10, 11. (3.) As the God of Israel, Jerusalem, and Zion, he settles their civil and religious state, ver. 2, 13, 14, 19, 20. When God manifests himself in so many things, be ashamed, O my soul, that I discern him in so few. () to see God's power and glory in every work of his hand, and especially in every word of his mouth! and to be so affected with what he is, and hath done, and will do, as in every thing to give thanks.

1 Praise ye the Lord; for it is good praise to our God to sing:

For it is pleasant, and to praise it is a comely thing.

2 God doth build up Jerusalem; and he it is alone

That the dispers'd of Israel doth gather into one.

3 Those that are broken in their heart, and grieved in their minds, He healeth, and their painful wounds he tenderly up-binds.

4 He counts the number of the stars; he names them ev'ry one.

5 Great is our Lord, and of great pow'r; his wisdom search can none.

6 The Lord lifts up the meek; and casts the wicked to the ground.

7 Sing to the Lord, and give him thanks;

on harp his praises sound;

8 Who covereth the heav'n with clouds, who for the earth below Prepareth rain, who maketh grass upon the mountains grow.

9 He gives the beast his food, he feeds the ravens young that cry.

10 His pleasure not in horses' strength, nor in man's legs, doth lie.

11 But in all those that do him fear the Lord doth pleasure take; In those that to his mercy do by hope themselves betake. 12 The Lord praise, O Jerusalem, Sion, thy God confess:

13 For thy gates' bars he maketh strong: thy sons in thee doth bless.

14 He in thy borders maketh peace; with fine wheat filleth thee.

15 He sends forth his command on earth, his word runs speedily.

16 Hoar-frost, like ashes, scatt'reth he; like wool he snow doth give:

17 Like morsels casteth forth his ice; who in its cold can live?

18 He sendeth forth his mighty word, and melteth them again; His wind he makes to blow, and then the waters flow amain.

19 The doctrine of his holy word to Jacob he doth show; His statutes and his judgments he gives Israel to know.

20 To any nation never he such favour did afford;

For they his judgments have not known. O do ye praise the Lord.

## PSALM CXLVIII.

Here, the Psalmist, overwhelmed with enrapturing views of the glory, and sense of the goodness of the Lord, issues forth a solemn call to all his fellow creatures, to assist him in his songs of praise. (1.) To the celestial creatures above, whether intellectual beings or not, ver.

1—6. (2.) To the terrestrial creatures below, whether irrational, ver. 7—10; or rational, ver. 11—13; but chiefly to his chosen people, ver. 14.——¶ While angels and other rational beings actively trumpet forth his honours, and irrational creatures praise him objectively, in manifesting his excellencies marked on them: Let my soul be ravished with his glory, amazed with his grace, and all inflamed with love in uttering his praise, who, in Christ is MY God and MY EXCEEDING JOY. Cry out, all my powers, My God, who is like unto thee! Is there any work like unto thy work?

1 Praise God. From heavens praise the in heights praise to him be. [Lord,

2 All ye his angels, praise ye him; his hosts all, praise him ye.

3 O praise ye him, both sun and moon, praise him, all stars of light.

4 Ye heav'ns of heav'ns him praise, and floods

above the heavens' height.

5 Let all the creatures praise the name of our almighty Lord:For he commanded and they were

created by his word.

6 He also for all times to come, hath them established sure; He hath appointed them a law, which ever shall endure.

7 Praise ye JEHOVAH from the earth, dragons, and ev'ry deep:

8 Fire, hail, snow, vapour, stormy wind, his word that fully keep.

9 All hills and mountains, fruitful trees, and all ye cedars high:

10 Beasts, and all cattle, creeping things, and all ye birds that fly.

Il Kings of the earth, all nations, princes, earth's judges all:

12 Both young men, yea and maidens too,

old men, and children small,

13 Let them God's name praise; for his alone is excellent: [name His glory reacheth far above the earth and firmament.

14 His people's horn, the praise of all his saints, exalteth he;
Ev'n Isr'el's seed, a people near to him. The Lord praise ye.

# Another of the same.

1 THE Lord of heav'n confess, On high his glory raise.

2 Him let all angels bless, Him all his armies praise.

3 Him glorify

Sun, moon, and stars; Ye higher spheres,

4 Ye higher sphe And cloudy sky.

5 From God your beings are,
Him therefore famous make;
You all created were,
When he the word but spake.

6 And from that place,
Where fixed you be
By his decree,
You cannot pass.

7 Praise God from earth below, Ye dragons, and ye deeps:

8 Fire, hail, clouds, wind, and snow, Whom in command he keeps.

9 Praise ye his name,
Hills great and small,
Trees low and tall;
10 Beasts wild and tame:

All things that creep or fly.

Ye kings, ye vulgar throng,
All princes mean or high;

Both men and virgins young, Ev'n young and old,

Exalt his name;
For much his fame
Should be extell'd.

O let God's name be prais'd
Above both earth and sky;
4 For he his saints hath rais'd,
And set their horn on high;
Even those that be
Of Isr'el's race,
Near to his grace.
The Lord praise ye.

This Psalm was perhaps penned by David, when he took the stronghold of Zion from the Jebusites,—and represents (1.) Abundant joys to the people of God, in his relation to them, delight in, and kindness towards them, ver. 1—5. (2.) Abundance of terror to the proudest of their enemies, in their victory and power over them, ver. 6—9. ¶ While I sing, let mine eyes be fixed on Jesus Christ, going forth in his chariots of salvation, subduing his enemies to himself, by the gospel rod of his strength, in the Apostolic and Millennial period, Rev. xx. 2; and in the chariots of his vengeance, destroying his incorrigible opposers, by the iron rod of his wrath, and treading them under the feet of his saints.

1 Praise ye the Lord: unto him sing a new song, and his praise In the assembly of his saints in sweet psalms do ye raise.

2 Let Isr'el in his Maker joy, and to him praises sing: Let all that Sion's children are be joyful in their King.

3 O let them unto his great name give praises in the dance; Let them with timbrel and with harp in songs his praise advance.

4 For God doth pleasure take in those that his own people be;
And he with his salvation the meek will beautify.

5 And in his glory excellent let all his saints rejoice: Let them to him upon their beds aloud lift up their voice. 6 Let in their mouth aloft be rais'd
the high praise of the Lord,
And let them have in their right hand
a sharp two-edged sword:

7 To execute the vengeance due upon the heathen all,
And make deserved punishment upon the people fall.

8 And ev'n with chains, as pris'ners, bind their kings that them command;

Yea, and with iron fetters strong, the nobles of their land.

9 On them the judgment to perform found written in his word;
This honour is to all his saints.
O do ye praise the Lord.

### PSALM CL.

This Psalm contains thirteen calls to praise God. It directs (1.) Who ought to praise him, ver. 6. And (2.) Why they should praise him, viz. That he dwells with men; and for his mighty acts; and his excellent greatness, ver. 1, 2. And (3.) How he ought to be praised,—in a public, earnest, and skilful manner, ver. 1, 3—5.

——¶ Dare not, my soul, to finish thy notes, and to conclude the book, without commencing an heartiness in the work. Awake then my inward powers, let me even here begin my high Hallelujahs and Hosannas to Him who loved me, and gave himself for me.

1 Praise ye the Lord. God's praise within his sanctuary raise;
And to him in the firmament

of his pow'r give ye praise.

- 2 Because of all his mighty acts, with praise him magnify:
  - O praise him as he doth excel in glorious majesty.
- 3 Praise him with trumpet's sound: his praise with psaltery advance:
- 4 With timbrel, harp, string'd instruments, and organs, in the dance.
- 5 Praise him on cymbals loud: him praise on cymbals sounding high.
- 6 Let each thing breathing praise the Lord.
  Praise to the Lord give ye.

END OF THE PSALMS.



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31	24	Be of good courage, and he strength
46	10	Be still, and know that I am God
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57	5	Be thou exalted very high
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90	4	Because a thousand years appear
38	4	Because gone up above mine head
105	7	Because he and he only is
109	16	Because he mercy minded not
69	26	Because him they do persecute
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135	5	Because I know assuredly
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86	13	Because thy mercy toward me
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44	15	Before me my confusion
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87	4 20	Behold, ev'n Tyrus, and with it
7	14	Behold, he smote the rock, and thence
133	1	Behold, he with iniquity Behold, how good a thing it is
51	5	Behold, I in iniquity
33	18	Behold, on those that do him fear
45	13	Behold the daughter of the king
128	4	Behold, the man that fears the Lord
84	3	Behold, the sparrow findeth out
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59	7	Behold they belch out with their mouth
51	6	Behold, thou in the inward part,
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81	3	Blow trumpets at new-moon, what day
72	14	Both from deceit and violence
115	13	Both small and great that fear the Lord
31	2	Bow down thine ear to me, with speed
66	15	Burnt sacrifices of fat rams
80	16	Burnt up it is with flaming fire
74	6	But all at once with axes now
22	6	But as for me, a worm I am
17	15	But as for me, I thine own face
26	11	But as for me, I will walk on
109	30	But as for me, I with my mouth
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35	13	But as for me, when they were sick
125	5	But as for such as turn aside
38	13	But, as one deaf that heareth not
104	7	But at the voice of thy rebuke
22	19	But be not far, O Lord, my strength
37	11	But, by inheritance, the earth
109	21	But do thou, for thine own name's sake
44	7	But from our foes thou hast us sav'd
78	38	But full of pity, he forgave
75	7	But God is judge: he puts down one
50	16	But God unto the wicked saith
78	68	But he did choose Jehudah's tribe
52	7	But he, in his abundant wealth
78	52	But his own people like to sheep
52	8	But I am in the house of God
70	5	But I both poor and needy am
75	9	But I for ever will declare
13	5	But I have all my confidence
5	7	But I unto thy house will come
50	21	But I will sharply thee reprove
71	14	But I with expectation
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78	57	But like their fathers turned back	
92	12	But like the palm-tree flourishing	
41	10	But, Lord, be merciful to me	
88	13	But, Lord, to thee I cried, my pray'r	
106	14	But much did lust in wilderness	
69	29	But now become exceeding poor	
6	8	But now, depart from me all ye	
44	9	But now, we are cast off by thee	
59	16	But of thy pow'r I'll sing aloud	
136	15	But Pharaoh and his host did drown	
56	7	But shall they by iniquity	
106	13	But soon they did his mighty works	
68	21	But surely God shall wound the head	
73	28	But surely it is good for me	
37	39	But the salvation of the just	
37	15	But their own sword, which they have dr	av
78	65	But then the Lord arose, as one	
27	38	But those men that transgressors are	
86	15	But thou art full of pity, Lord	
22	9	But thou art he out of the womb	
22	3	But thou art holy, thou that dost	
89	38	But thou, despised, hast cast off	
102	12	But thou, Lord, everlasting art	
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59	8	But thou, O Lord, shalt laugh at them	
92	10	But thou shalt like unto the horn	
141	8	But unto thee, O God the Lord	
103	17	But unto them that do him fear	
78	34	But when he slew them, then they did	
30	7	But when that thou, O gracious God	
48	5	But when they did behold the same	
$\frac{24}{24}$	10	But who is he that is the King	
37	20	But who of glory is the King But wicked men and foes of God	
49	12	But yet in honour shall not man	
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35	3	Draw also out the spear, and do
39	9	Dumb was I, op'ning not my mouth
56	5	EACH day they wrest my words, their though
115	6	Ears have they, but they do not hear
104	32	Earth, as affrighted, trembleth all
22	29	Earth's fat ones eat, and worship shall
105	38	Egypt was glad when forth they went
135	8	Egypt's first-born from man to beast
25	17	Enlarg'd the griefs are of mine heart
100	4	Enter his gates and courts with praise
90	2	Ere ever thou hadst formed the earth
119	67	Ere I afflicted was I stray'd
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63	5	Ev'n as with marrow and with fat
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88	5	Ev'n free among the dead, like them
144	10	Ev'n he it is that unto kings
89	9	Ev'n in the raging of the sea
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73	20	Ev'n like unto a dream, when one
136	19	Ev'n Sihon king of Amorites
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84	3	Ev'n thine own altars, where she safe
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109	8	Few be his days, and in his room
78	49	Fierce burning wrath he on them cast
97	3	Fire goes before him, and his foes
18	4	Floods of ill men affrighted me
107	17	Fools, for their sin, and their offence
38	7	For a disease that loathsome is
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119	122	For good unto thy servant, Lord
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41	2	God will him keep; yea, save alive
34	1	God will I bless all times: his praise
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23	6	Goodness and mercy all my life
89	7	Great fear in meeting of the saints
96	6	Great honour is before his face
48	1	Great is the Lord, and greatly he
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34	20	He carefully his bones doth keep
10	8	He closely sits in villages
147	4	He counts the number of the stars
18	11	He darkness made his secret place
111	6	He did the power of his works
33	15	He forms their hearts alike; and all
104	13	He from his chambers watereth
102	19	He from his sanctuary's height
113	7	He from the dust doth raise the poor
135	7	He from the ends of earth doth make
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92	5	How great, Lord, are thy works! each thought			
31	19	How great the goodness thou for them			
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27	13	I fainted had, unless that I			
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140	12	I know God will th' afflicted's cause	
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52	1	Why dost thou boast, O mighty man
80	12	Why hast thou then most broken down
10	13	Why is it that the wicked man
2	1	Why rage the heathen? and vain things
79	10	Why say the heathen, Where's their God
56	13	Wilt thou not, who from death me say'd
8.8	10	Wilt thou show wonders to the dead
111	10	Wisdom's beginning is God's fear
78	14	With clouds by day, with light of fire
35	6	With darkness cover thou their way
65	13	With flocks the pastures clothed be
98	5	With harp, with harp, and voice of psalms
28	3	With ill men draw me not away
91	16	With length of days unto his mind
104	2	With light, as with a robe, thyself
119	17	With me thy servant in thy grace
35	21	With mouth set wide, they 'gainst me said
119	145	With my whole heart I cried, Lord, hear
119	58	With my whole heart I did entreat
139	22	With perfect hatred them I hate
26	4	With persons vain I have not sat
39	2	With silence I as dumb became
26	9	With sinners gather not my soul
68	27	With their prince little Benjamin
42	4	With them into God's house I went
89	21	With whom mine hand shall 'stablish'd be
10	6	Within his heart he thus hath said
22	25 \ 9 \	Within the congregation great
40		
68	26	Within the congregations
116	19	Within the courts of God's own house
99	7	Within the pillar of the cloud
61	4	Within thy tabernacle I
15	1	Within thy tabernacle, Lord
120 36	5	Wo's me, that I in Meshech am
30	3	Words from his mouth proceeding are
24	7	VE mates lift up your boads on high
24	9	YE gates, lift up your heads on high Ye gates, lift up your heads, ye doors
114	6	Ye mountains great, wherefore is it
66	8	Ye people, bless our God; aloud
62	8	Ye people place your confidence
32	11	Ye righteous, in the Lord be glad
17.64	* *	To righteous, in the Lord bo grad

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3 3 Yet thou my shield and glory art

78 36 Yet with their mouth they flatter'd him 134 2 Your hand within God's holy place

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